

April 16, 2010

Andrew Romanoff
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Former Speaker Romanoff:

“These minority folks” write to you today shocked, disturbed and outraged. Please allow this letter to serve as notice that we are NOT random people to be moved around for aesthetic reasons. We are NOT political pawns to be used when convenient nor do we accept being manipulated and repositioned when it serves one’s political motives. The “photoshopping in” of minorities is not acceptable and falls far short of the integrity we expect of candidates running for the US Senate.

As activists, we know the dangers of objectification and, as such are requesting:

- removal of the banner from your website;
- public acknowledgement of how problematic this practice is; and
- an apology for comments made by your spokespersons publicly referring to “those minority folks...simply moving around random people for aesthetic reasons...”

We would appreciate your public response to our request. Thank you for your time and attention in the matter.

Sincerely,

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