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Wisconsin Family Action Radio Ad Tells Governor Walker To Keep His Promise As National Leaders Urge Him To Reject Kenosha Casino

MADISON – Today, Wisconsin Family Action launched a radio campaign reminding Governor Scott Walker of his promise not to expand gambling in Wisconsin. Walker first made the promise when he ran for governor in 2006 and renewed his promise in 2011 when he set criteria for the approval of a new casino in Wisconsin.

The ad points out that when Walker ran for Governor, he promised he would honor a referendum that prohibited an expansion of gambling and reminds citizens that Walker “even established criteria for approval of any new gambling, which the Kenosha casino clearly does not meet.”

The ad also points out that existing gaming compacts negotiated under Governor Jim Doyle could, according to the Governor, leave a \$100 million hole in the state budget.

With the February 19, 2015 deadline looming, various national organizations and political pundits, as well as neighboring state leaders like Iowa’s [Bob Vander Plaats](#) are weighing in with Governor Walker, letting him know that he should reject the Kenosha casino.

The radio ad ends with a call to listeners to tell Governor Walker to keep his promise.

WFA Radio Script

More casinos mean more temptation. Wisconsin already has 24 casinos. We don’t need more.

Scott Walker agreed. When he ran for Governor, he promised he would honor a referendum that prohibited an expansion of gambling.

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The Kenosha casino would actually be run by the Florida Seminole Indian Tribe. They’ll take hundreds of millions of dollars out of Wisconsin. What’s worse, according to the Governor, the new casino will leave a \$100 million hole in the state budget.

Tell Governor Walker to keep his promise not to open more casinos. Go to [Keep Your Promises dot com](#) to sign a petition and learn how to get others involved. That’s [Keep Your Promises dot com](#).

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Wisconsin Family Action is a statewide, not-for-profit organization actively strengthening, preserving and promoting marriage, family, life and liberty in Wisconsin.



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National Organizations, Media and State Leaders Weighing in on Kenosha Casino

Bob Vander Plaats, President & CEO of The FAMILY LEADER in Iowa:

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“We strongly encourage you to reject the Kenosha Casino proposal and adhere to the long-established criteria that Native American casinos must be built on reservation lands” and indicates he is looking forward to visiting with the governor “about this and other issues when [the governor] next visits Iowa.”

Iowa Conservative Leaders: http://cagelinks.homestead.com/Tim_Walker_Letter_from_Coates.pdf

Les Bernal, National Director, Stop Predatory Gambling:

“When government partners with casinos like the one proposed for Kenosha, it is not merely permitting private, consensual behavior. It is granting monopolies and awarding regulatory advantages to favored firms. This has little to do with limited government. It is the active, predatory state. What brought a proud people so low that a casino looks like their best option? What’s wrong with a state that it mistakes a casino for a recovery? Casinos point to the failures of the past and not the future. Please act decisively to oppose a Kenosha casino.”

National Review Article: <http://www.nationalreview.com/corner/395076/whats-agenda-gop-governors-running-president-john-fund>

Weekly Standard Article: http://www.weeklystandard.com/articles/great-casino-loop-hole_817781.html?page=2

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