

“Who“
Ad Back-Up
Tim Walz For Congress
 TV (:30)

<i>SCRIPT</i>	<i>FACTS</i>
<p>VO: Who took nearly half a million in government money? ... for his own company?</p> <p>Randy Demmer</p>	<p><u>FACT: Demmer’s Business RKD Properties Received \$468,911 In Business Assistance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RKD Properties Has Received Two Small Business Assistance Payments Totaling \$468,911. According to public records, RKD Properties has received Minnesota Business Assistance Payments totaling \$468,911. The first was in 1997 and 1998 in the amount of \$90,011 and the third in 2001 in the amount of \$378,900. [Minnesota Trade and Economic Development, 1999 and 2002 Minnesota Business Assistance Forms]
<p>Who went to campaign school in Washington? but asked Minnesotans for a reimbursement check to cover the state business he missed?</p> <p>Randy Demmer.</p> <p>Career politician Randy Demmer. He’s one big spender.</p>	<p><u>FACT: Demmer Took Per Diem While In DC For Candidate School</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demmer Took Per Diem While In DC For Candidate School. In 2007, Demmer took per diem and missed votes while at candidate school in Washington, DC. Demmer was in DC for candidate school on May 7 and 8, 2007. “I missed two or three votes, and those bills are coming back around,” Demmer said. According to public records, Demmer took 21 days of per diem that month. The House adjourned on May 21, 2007. [Post-Bulletin, 5/16/07, Minnesota House Budget and Accounting Office; Minnesota House Journal, 5/21/07] • Demmer Took Per Diem Days He Didn’t Work. It was reported, “Demmer claimed legislative per diem payments for days he did not work in 2007, including weekends, Easter Sunday and a two-day trip in May of 2007 to Washington, D.C., when he met with national Republican campaign officials about running for Congress. The state’s rules say that when the legislature is

	<p>in session, members are allowed to take per diems for living and travel expenses seven days a week.” [Post-Bulletin, 10/14/10]</p>
<p>So who’s fighting to cut the deficit?</p> <p>Tim Walz.</p>	<p><u>FACT: Walz Voted Against His Party And Opposed The Wall Street Bailout Plan.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walz Voted Twice Against The Wall Street Bailout, Because It Didn’t Help Southern Minnesotans. Congressman Walz bucked his own party and voted against Wall Street Bailout legislation twice because it didn’t help Minnesotans. [HR 3997, Vote #674, 9/29/08; HR 1424, Vote #681, 10/3/08] • Because It Wasn’t A Good Deal For Taxpayers, Walz Voted Against The Wall Street Bailout Legislation. Congressman Walz voted against the majority of his own party and opposed the Wall Street bailout legislation. He said, “Wall Street got us into this mess, and I hope that the Congressional leadership will go back to the drawing board and write a bill that holds Wall Street accountable, both through sensible regulation and oversight and by restricting the excessive golden parachutes for CEOs who got themselves in trouble.” He continued, “I voted against this bill because it wasn’t a good deal for taxpayers. Lawmakers need to go back to the table immediately and come up with a much better deal for taxpayers and the middle class.” [Austin Daily Herald, 9/30/08] <p><u>FACT: Walz Opposed Auto Bailout</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walz Opposed Auto Bailout Plan. Walz opposed the auto bailout plan. “Walz was pleased the auto plan didn’t pass. After voting twice against the \$700 billion financial bailout, Walz said more lawmakers now recognize that legislation was seriously flawed, lacked accountability and has been largely ineffective. ‘It appears more people are taking the exact approach we took the first time, not to be rushed headlong into something,’ Walz said.” [The Free Press, 11/24/08] • Walz Voted Against The Auto Bailout. Walz voted against the auto bailout. “I voted against the auto industry bailout for the same reason I voted against

	<p>the Wall Street bailout: because it doesn't do enough to protect the taxpayers who are footing the bill. Nothing in this bill will prevent the auto manufacturers and their suppliers from continuing to move jobs overseas. And we have no guarantee that spending \$15 billion in taxpayers' money will actually solve the Big Three's problems. We must preserve and create jobs in America but this isn't the way to do it." [HR7321, Vote #690, 12/10/08; Walz Congressional Press Release, 12/10/08]</p> <p><u>FACT: Walz Supports Pay-As-You-Go Practices</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walz Voted For Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Rules. In 2009, Walz vote for the "passage of the bill that would establish a statutory requirement that new tax and mandatory spending legislation be budget neutral, enforced by automatic across-the-board spending cuts in non-exempt programs if the pay-as-you-go tally at the end of the year shows a deficit. Exempt programs would include legislation to extend middle-class tax cuts set to expire at the end of 2010, revise the estate tax, provide for an alternative minimum tax "patch" and prevent scheduled cuts in Medicare payments to physicians." Passed by a vote of 265-166. A "yea" was a vote in support of the president's position. [HR 2920, Vote #612, 7/22/09; CQ Floor Votes, House Roll Call Vote612, 7/22/09] • Walz Voted For PAYGO Rules And Earmark Reform. In 2007, Walz voted for the adoption of Title IV of the resolution that would set the rules for the 110th Congress. The title would require legislation and conference reports to be accompanied by a list of earmarks and limited tax or trade benefits, and their sponsors. Members would have to provide information about the recipient and purpose of an earmark. It would create new budget points of order, including pay-as-you-go rules which would require offsets to any new entitlement spending or tax cuts. The bill passed 280-152. [HRS 6, Vote #9, 1/5/07; CQ Weekly, 1/7/06; Associated Press, 1/7/06]
<p>And who cut his office budget and returned the money to taxpayers?</p>	<p><u>FACT: Walz Regularly Returned Portion Of Salary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walz Regularly Returned Portion Of His Salary To Pay Down Public

Tim Walz.

Because he works for us.

TW: I'm Tim Walz and I approve this message.

Debt. According to Official House of Representative records, Walz regularly returned a portion of his salary to pay down the public debt. [[Statements of Disbursements of the House](#)]

- **Walz Gave Back Pay Increases And Cost-Of-Living Adjustments.** Walz gave back pay increases and cost-of-living adjustments. “Walz’s decision to not accept the \$ 4,700 cost- of- living adjustment being provided to members of Congress was actually locked in before he was first elected in 2006. Walz promised on the campaign trail he wouldn’t accept a pay raise until the minimum wage was increased and the federal budget was balanced. Walz gave back a \$ 4,130 pay increase a year ago. So this year, he’s surrendering that amount again in addition to the 2009 raise -- meaning he will be accepting about \$ 8,700 less than the \$ 174,000 being paid to members of Congress.” [The Free Press, 1/15/09]

FACT: Walz Returned Part Of Office Budget

- Walz returned approximately \$185,000 in unspent office funds. [US House of Representatives, Office of Finance]