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William,

Sorry I am so late in replying.

You say that the federal government is to blame for the decline of the auto industry because they allowed the Japanese to import cars. Why would the government stop them? Shouldn't Americans be free to buy products from foreign countries? Are you saying that Americans should be denied that right? Because if Americans can't import, American manufacturers won't be able to export. I don't know about the tariffs on automobiles imported into Japan, but I do know that American cars are very popular in China. Selling cars to the Chinese is making GM a lot of money. And the dollars that the Chinese have earned by exporting goods to America will eventually be used to buy something American, whether it is goods, businesses or land. The dollar's only value is in buying American.

In regard to those "fair" wages negotiated by the UAW over the last 60 years, do you think \$73,000 a year is fair for unskilled production workers while 400,000 people are unemployed in Michigan? This includes overtime, bonuses and other extras, but it is the average yearly earnings according to the UAW (http://www.stevharryforstaterep.org/UAW_Wages.htm). That kind of wage isn't negotiated, it is extorted.

Yes, I am a Democrat, and I intend to do all I can to free the party from the control of organized labor.

Steve Harry

--- On Tue, 7/29/08, William George <wgeorge@email.com> wrote:

> From: William George <wgeorge@email.com>
> Subject: Your TV AD
> To: steve_harry@yahoo.com
> Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2008, 11:01 PM
> I just saw your TV ad, and I can't believe what a moron
> you are. The
> union are not the problem with this state, it is federal
> government for
> allowing Japanese car makers to import autos in to the US
> but the Japs
> will not import our autos at the same low tax rate. We
> have opened our
> borders to all the Chinese junk (lead paint and all) that
> they can ship

> in, but they only import our money. If you level the
> playing field with
> these foreign countries we can match and beat anyone. Do you
> think the UAW
> just said to GM, "gee, we sure would like to make \$25
> an hour" and GM
> said sure. For over 60 years the union has negotiated
> contracts with the
> big three and negotiated fair wages, fair work hours, fair
> health care,
> and safe work places, but corporate america has just not
> kept up with the
> wages that the union has helped us receive. I can't
> believe that you are
> running as a Democrat. Your views sound more like
> socialist, or right
> wing bullshit. Expect to continue working at Burger King
> because there
> is no way you are getting elected. William George