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Rep. Phil King Attempts to Ban Free Internet Access

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Submitted by **John Little** on March 3, 2005 - 7:12pm.

Will Reed envisions a mouse in every house — computers, that is — and high-speed Internet connections for all. A wired community, he says, is an empowered one.

From his nonprofit group's East End offices, Reed is turning his vision into a reality. Although Pecan Park neighborhood residents may not realize it, e-mail, pictures and commerce now zip above their treelined streets. This high-speed, wireless Internet access is free for the taking.

Reed's organization, Technology for All, has pioneered this program to bridge the digital divide with help from Rice University and an enthusiastic Mayor Bill White, who has asked city libraries to join the effort. This small, wired neighborhood may eventually become a model for providing everyone in the city free, or low-cost, Internet access.

Or not.

Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, has filed a massive telecommunications

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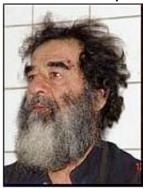


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These are exactly the types of programs that Phil King should be championing. Programs that would significantly benefit the poor members of his district. You know that this jackass didn't cook up this idea on his own. I wonder how much telecom/broadband provider money he's receiving?

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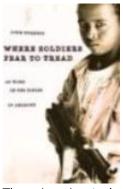


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