

On July 28th and 29th, the Columbus Dispatch had articles (“*Payback may be coming for congressman’s ‘disloyalty’*” and “*Has defiance spelled doom for Jordan?*”) written by Joe Hallett that contained several comments from (quote) “two Republican sources deeply involved in configuring new Ohio congressional districts.”

These anonymous sources made repeated inflammatory statements about my Congressman, Representative Jim Jordan, because he disagreed with House Speaker John Boehner’s debt-ceiling plan. Some quotes from these anonymous sources are “*Jim Jordan’s boneheadedness has kind of informed everybody’s thinking, “ said one of the sources, both of whom spoke on condition of anonymity. “The easiest option for everybody has presented itself.” “He doesn’t know it, but he solved a problem for Republican line-drawers by (figuratively) standing up and saying, ‘I’m a jerk and I deserve to be punished,” said one of the sources.”*

These statements are unprofessional and unacceptable. Persons in position of this authority should not use extortive statements to garner support for a particular fiscal plan just because these have the ability to do so.

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