

Grothman in new ad says he's not beholden to special interests, party politics

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In his second TV ad of the election cycle, U.S. Rep. Glenn Grothman called himself an independent representative who isn't beholden to special interest groups or party politics.

The ad, which will run in the Green Bay and Milwaukee media markets, features the Glenbeulah Republican asking viewers if they've ever wondered why they don't see attack ads against him over dark money spending.

"It's because I don't take money from Goldman Sachs, the drug companies, the payday lenders or the other groups trying to take advantage of the less fortunate," he said. "The only special interest I care about is you."

Grothman then says he's "crossing party lines" on student loan reform efforts, and that he's "standing up to Republican leadership" when the party attempts to eliminate the medical expenses tax deduction.

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According to Advertising Analytics, Grothman has spent \$259,159 on media buys through the end of this week. That includes \$215,660 on broadcast and cable TV. Dem rival Jess King has spent \$845 on radio.