WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Sam Farr released a statement today on the resignation of Attorney General Alberto Gonzales:

"The departure of Alberto Gonzales was long overdue. During his tenure, we endured scandal after scandal, from domestic spying to torture abroad to attorney tampering. Gonzales abused his power time and time again and was unchecked by the White House. But no man is above the law, even a favorite of the Bush administration.

"Just as we need a new president to heal America's image abroad, we need a new attorney general to reinforce our country's belief in the rule of law. No one man can irreparably damage our country, but it will take a joint effort to heal the wounds he has inflicted."

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