



Fundraising for **G**ambling **R**esearch, **E**ducation and **T**reatment of problem gambling

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### THE GREaT FOUNDATION PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES HIS RETIREMENT

John Greenway announced today that he is retiring from his appointment as President of The GREaT Foundation at the end of June 2010.

Previously Chairman of the Responsibility in Gambling Trust (RIGT), Mr Greenway accepted the role of President in June 2009 when the charity became known as The GREaT Foundation. He said:

“Having successfully seen the charity through the transition period, I think the time is now right to stand down as President. While I was Chairman of RIGT we raised £3.43million and £3.49million per year; during my Presidency of The GREaT Foundation we raised £5million for 2009/10 and achieved the fundraising target set by the Government and the Responsible Gambling Strategy Board (RGSB). I am very happy with this performance and it is good to be leaving when things are going so well”.

Mr Greenway added that he would like to think that some further opportunity with regard to horseracing and the gambling industry might present itself in the months ahead.

Andrew Tottenham, Chairman of The GREaT Foundation, paid the following tribute to John Greenway:

“John has been very successful in the two roles that he has played in fundraising for research, education and treatment of problem gambling. He was very dynamic and hands-on as the previous Chairman and took a key part in making the transition to the new arrangement. The Industry owes him a debt of gratitude and wishes him well in the future”.

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

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- 1 The GREaT Foundation, formerly known as RIGT, was established in 2002 as the Gambling Industry's charity responsible for tackling problem gambling through the funding and commissioning of research, education and treatment from voluntary donations. In 2009, following a restructuring of the charity, RIGT was renamed The GREaT Foundation and returned to its original perceived function solely of raising funds for gambling research, education and treatment of problem gamblers.
  
- 2 John Greenway was Member of Parliament for Ryedale until he retired at the General Election earlier this year. Whilst in Parliament, Mr Greenway was an effective Chairman of the Joint Scrutiny Committee at the time of the Gambling Bill and has been a keen supporter of horse-racing for many years as joint Chairman of the All Party Racing and Bloodstock Industries Group.