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## **Really a Political Fundraiser in Disguise, Philanthropic Watchdog Charges**

### **Age AIDS Nonprofit, Selling Political Access in the Name of Charity**

WASHINGTON-The National Committee for Responsive Philanthropy (NCRP) once again condemns Proceeds of the RNC fundraiser gala at the Rockefeller Center would go toward the Senate Majority Leadership. Donors to Frist's fundraiser would buy invaluable face time with Republicans and, because their contribution would be tax deductible, they would also receive a tax break. "With Congress's inaction or inability to act on the surge of federal lawmakers' creation of charities, NCRP is concerned that the RNC fundraiser is a political fundraiser in disguise." (more)

Despite the front of a universal and supposedly nonpartisan cause such as AIDS, closer investigation has revealed that the RNC fundraiser is a political fundraiser in disguise. NCRP is further concerned that Republicans at the RNC are using charitable endeavors with popular th