



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Honorable Tim Holden
1421 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-3806

Candidate ID Number: H2PA06080

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Dear Mr. Holden:

This letter constitutes formal written notification that the Friends of Congressman Tim Holden committee is filing reports of receipts and disbursements (FEC FORM 3) that appear to be for the 2000 election.

A review of these reports indicates that your principal campaign committee has no debts from the previous election cycle, and has accepted contributions and/or made expenditures in support of your 2000 candidacy in excess of \$5,000, thus meeting the definition of "candidate" per Federal Election Campaign Laws. (See 2 U.S.C. §431(2))

You must either disavow these activities by notifying the Commission in writing that you are not a candidate, or redesignate your principal campaign committee by filing a Statement of Candidacy (FEC FORM 2) within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Robin Kelly in our Reports Analysis Division on the toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. Our local number is (202) 694-1130. An FEC FORM 2 is enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Peter Kell Jr.

Chief, Authorized Branch
Reports Analysis Division

Enclosure