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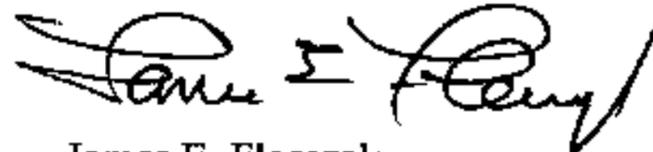
RE: Refund of \$1,000

Dear Gale:

In connection with the Federal Election Commission's review of contributions made to the Friends of Craig Thomas election committee (the "Committee") by ARCHPAC, we hereby request a refund of \$1,000.00. According to the Federal Election Commission and our records, our total contributions made to the Committee exceeded the limit of \$5,000 per election cycle for the Primary election and therefore, a request must be made, and the excess amount returned to ARCHPAC.

Please call me at (314) 994-2785 if you should have any questions. Thanks for your help in regard to this matter.

Very truly yours,



James E. Florczak

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Mr. Christopher J. Morse
Federal Election Commission
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: Year End Report (7/01/05 – 12/31/05)
ID Number: C00167668

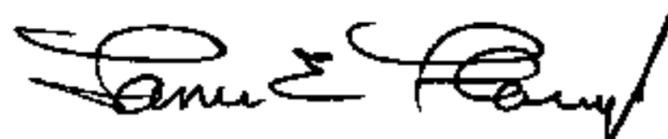
Dear Mr. Morse:

In response to your letter dated February 15, 2006, please be advised that the following steps were taken by ARCHPAC to correct the excess contribution to the Friends of Craig Thomas election committee (the "Committee"):

1. The Year End Report (File ID: FEC-196839) has been amended to reflect an error which was made regarding the October 18, 2005 contribution of \$2,500.00 to the Committee. The correct allocation of this disbursement should have been recorded as \$500.00 to the Primary Election Cycle and \$2,000.00 to the General Election Cycle. The amended Year End Report was filed on March 13, 2006 with File ID: FEC-206116; and
2. We have requested a refund from the Committee in the amount of \$1,000.00 (please see letter requesting the refund attached).

We apologize for this error and appreciate that you brought it to our attention. If you should have questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call me directly at (314) 994-2785.

Very truly yours,



James E. Florczak, Treasurer

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