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Response Due Date**07/07/2026**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00660464

REFERENCE: APRIL QUARTERLY REPORT (01/01/2026 - 03/31/2026)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 3 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your report discloses one or more contributions that appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act (see attached). The Commission notes your additional explanation regarding the committee's corrective action taken for some of these contributions.

An individual or a political committee other than an authorized committee or a qualified multi-candidate committee may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$3,500 per election. An authorized committee may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$2,000 per election. A qualified multi-candidate committee and all affiliated committees may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. (52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) and (f); 11 CFR §§ 110.1(b), (e) and (k), and 102.13(c))

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with clarifying information.

Please be reminded that all refunds, redesignations and reattributions must be made within 60 days of receipt of the contribution. To date, one or more of the apparent excessive contributions have not been refunded, redesignated, or

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reattributed.

For reattributions, the funds can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person. An excessive contribution is considered properly reattributed if (1) the contributors provide the committee with written authorization of a reattribution, signed by each contributor, indicating the amount of the contribution to be attributed to each contributor; or (2) the committee reattributes by presumption the excessive portion of the contribution if the contribution was made on a written instrument from a joint account and was signed by only one of the account holders. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributors in writing within 60 days of receiving the contribution that the committee intends to reattribute the excessive portion and must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. (11 CFR § 110.1(k)(3)(ii)(B))

For redesignations, the funds can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount was properly designated for a different election. An excessive contribution is considered properly redesignated if (1) the committee obtains signed written authorization from the contributor to redesignate the contribution for another election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election; or (2) the committee redesignates by presumption the excessive portion of the contribution for another election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributor of the redesignation in writing within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution. The notification must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(5)(ii)(B)) A contribution can only be redesignated to a previous election to the extent that the contribution does not exceed the committee's net debts outstanding for that election. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(3)(i))

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or redesignations are not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded. (11 CFR § 103.3(b)(1))

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly by filing an amended report or Miscellaneous Document (Form 99 for electronic filers). If a remedy will be disclosed in a future reporting period, please provide the date and amount of the remedy in your response. The committee should retain records of refunds, redesignations, and/or reattributions of the contributions in question. Refunds are reported on Line 20(a), (b), or (c), as applicable, of the

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Detailed Summary Page and on a supporting Schedule B of the report covering the period in which they are made. Redesignations and reattributions are reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period in which the authorization for the redesignation and/or reattribution is received. (11 CFR § 104.8(d)(2), (3) and (4))

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of excessive contributions, your prompt action to refund or redesignate and/or reattribute the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. The Commission notes the redesignation or reattribution of several contributions. Please amend your report to disclose the proper format for redesignations or reattributions. The first entry must disclose, as a memo entry, the information for the contribution as it was originally reported. The second entry must disclose, as a memo entry, the amount of the redesignation or reattribution as a negative amount. The third entry must disclose, as a memo entry, the information on the contribution as it was redesignated or reattributed, including the date the redesignation or reattribution was made and, in the case of a redesignation, the election for which the contribution was redesignated. (11 CFR § 104.8(d)(2), (3), and (4)) Please refer to the Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates and Committees for further guidance on how to report redesignations and reattributions.

3. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 17 of your report to clarify the following description: "Paid Acquisition." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursement, please refer to 11 CFR 104.3(b)(4)(i)(A).

Additional clarification regarding inadequate purposes of disbursement and a non-exhaustive list of acceptable purposes are available on the FEC website at <http://www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/purposes-disbursement/>.

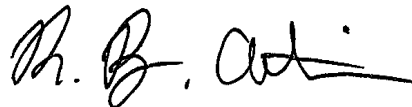
Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

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Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. For information about the report review process or specific filing information for your committee type, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees. For more information about Requests for Additional Information (RFAI), why you received a letter, and how to respond, please visit www.fec.gov/help-candidates-and-committees/request-additional-information. Should you have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1196.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Austin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bradley Austin

Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst

Apparent Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions
Chris Pappas for Senate (C00660464)

Apparent Excessive Contributions from Individuals

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Cullenberg, David	3/19/25	\$1,250.00	P2026
Cullenberg, David	6/16/25	\$1,250.00	P2026
Cullenberg, David	6/30/25	\$500.00	P2026
Cullenberg, David	9/29/25	\$500.00	P2026
Cullenberg, David	3/26/26	\$1,000.00	P2026
Forbes, Jeffrey A.	12/11/25	\$2,000.00	P2026
Forbes, Jeff	3/16/26	\$3,500.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	10/29/25	\$250.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	11/29/25	\$250.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	12/29/25	\$250.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	1/29/26	\$250.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	2/15/26	\$5.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	2/28/26	\$250.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	3/29/26	\$250.00	P2026
Jones, Thomas O.	3/31/26	\$500.00	P2026
Long, Patrick	2/6/25	\$250.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	4/28/25	\$1,000.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	5/31/25	\$1,000.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	6/7/25	\$250.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	6/23/25	\$250.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	7/1/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	7/24/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	8/10/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	8/25/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	8/30/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	10/15/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	11/12/25	\$100.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	12/5/25	\$50.00	P2026
Long, Patrick N.	3/22/26	\$62.50	P2026
Mandel, Sue	7/7/25	\$3,500.00	P2026
Mandel, Sue	2/27/26	\$3,500.00	P2026
McKinnis, David	4/4/25	\$1,000.00	P2026
McKinnis, David	3/31/26	\$3,500.00	P2026
Myhre, Bill	7/22/25	\$2,500.00	P2026

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Myhre, William	12/1/25	\$500.00	P2026
Myhre, William N.	3/8/26	\$1,000.00	P2026
Noonan, Michael	2/28/26	\$3,500.00	P2026
Noonan, Michael	2/28/26	\$3,000.00	P2026
Shah, Tushar	4/2/25	\$3,500.00	P2026
Shah, Tushar	3/4/26	\$7,000.00	P2026
Vaughan, Donald	8/12/25	\$250.00	P2026
Vaughan, Donald	10/23/25	\$250.00	P2026
Vaughan, Donald	12/31/25	\$500.00	P2026
Vaughan, Donald	1/31/26	\$500.00	P2026
Vaughan, Donald	2/18/26	\$1,750.00	P2026
Vaughan, Donald	3/31/26	\$500.00	P2026
Wineberg, Danette	6/30/25	\$3,000.00	P2026
Winneberg, Danette	11/24/25	\$2,000.00	P2026
Wineberg, Danette	3/27/26	\$500.00	P2026

Apparent Excessive Contributions from Affiliated Committees

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
International Association Of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail And Transportation Workers Political Action League	3/31/25	\$5,000.00	P2026
Smart TD PAC	3/31/26	\$2,500.00	P2026

Apparent Excessive Contributions from Committees

Contributor Name	Date	Amount	Election
Kuster For Congress	3/31/25	\$2,000.00	P2026
Kuster For Congress	1/5/26	\$2,000.00	P2026
Cooper For North Carolina	3/30/26	\$2,000.00	P2026
Cooper For North Carolina	3/30/26	\$1,500.00	P2026
American Federation Of Govt. Empl. Political Action Committee	3/31/25	\$5,000.00	P2026
American Federation Of Govt. Empl. Political Action Committee	3/24/26	\$2,500.00	P2026
American Federation Of Govt. Empl. Political Action Committee	3/26/26	\$2,500.00	P2026
Masters, Mates, & Pilots Political Contribution Fund	3/20/25	\$2,500.00	P2026
Masters, Mates And Pilots Political Contribution Fund	9/9/25	\$2,500.00	P2026

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Masters, Mates, & Pilots Political Contribution Fund	3/9/26	\$2,500.00	P2026
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