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Response Due Date**09/09/2025**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00733329

REFERENCE: JULY QUARTERLY REPORT (04/01/2025 - 06/30/2025)

Dear Treasurer:

This notice 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 1 item(s):

- Schedule A of your report discloses the receipt of contributions designated for the primary election that were received after the date the candidate terminated their candidacy.

The candidate was running for Congressional office until their announcement on 2/25/2025 not to seek re-election. At this time, their status as a candidate for the 2025-2026 Election Cycle ended. Your committee is entitled to keep all primary election contributions made prior to or on the date of that announcement, and is allowed to use them in accordance with 11 CFR § 113.2. However, primary election contributions made after the date of the announcement must be refunded, except to the extent there were net debts outstanding for the campaign on the date each primary election contribution was received. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(3)(ii))

A contribution is considered made when the contributor relinquishes control over the contribution. A contributor shall be considered to have relinquished control over the contribution when it is delivered to the candidate, to an authorized committee of the candidate, or to an agent of an authorized committee of the candidate. A contribution that is mailed to any of the aforementioned recipients will be considered made on the date of the postmark. Envelopes should be retained for the committee's records. A contribution made in an electronic transaction is considered to be made when the contributor authorizes the transaction. An in-kind contribution shall be considered to be made on the

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date that the goods or services are provided by the contributor. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(6))

If any of the apparent primary election contributions in question were incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information. If a contribution was made by the contributor before or on the date the candidate terminated their candidacy, please amend your report to indicate this using memo text, or provide this information in a Miscellaneous Document (Form 99 for electronic filers).

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 of the contributions in question. Refunds are reported on Line 20(a), (b) or (c), as applicable, of the Detailed Summary Page and on a supporting Schedule B of the report covering the period in which they are made. (11 CFR § 104.8(d)(4))

Although the Commission may take further legal action, your prompt action to refund these contributions will be taken into consideration.

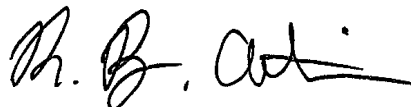
Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions 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.**

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.

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Sincerely,

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

Bradley Austin

Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst