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Response Due Date 07/09/2024

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00856112

REFERENCE: MAY MONTHLY REPORT (04/01/2024 - 04/30/2024)

## 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 5 item(s):

- 1. The totals listed on Lines 17(a)(i), 17(a)(ii), 17(a)(iii), 17(e), 22, 23, and 30, Column B-P of the Detailed Summary Pages appear to be incorrect. Column B-P figures for the Detailed Summary Pages should equal the sum of the Column B-P figures on your previous report and the Column A-P figures on this report. Please file an amendment to your report to correct the Column B-P discrepancies for this report and all subsequent report(s) which may be affected by this correction. Note that Column B-P should reflect only the election cycle-to-date totals (11/4/2020 through 11/5/2024). (52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) and 11 CFR § 104.3)
- 2. The beginning cash balance of this report does not equal the ending balance of your 2024 April Monthly Report. Please correct this discrepancy and amend all subsequent reports(s) that may be affected by the correction. (52 U.S.C. § 30104(b)(1) and 11 CFR § 104.3(a)(1))
- 3. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why each disbursement was made. Please amend Schedule B-P supporting Line 23 of your report to clarify the following descriptions: "First Church of Cannabis." 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/.

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- **4.** Schedule B-P of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for the following disbursements: "Payroll Reimbursement." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in an election cycle, a memo entry including the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information on Schedule B-P and clearly identify each memo entry supporting a reimbursement. If itemization is not necessary, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. (11 CFR §\$104.3(b)(4)(i) and 104.9, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3)
- **5.** Schedule B-P of your report discloses disbursements to Gusto, Inc. for "Payroll". Please be advised that when itemizing disbursements to companies for payroll services, if the payment to the salary recipient aggregates in excess of \$200 in an election cycle, a memo entry including the name and address of the individual receiving the salary, as well as the date, amount, and purpose of the original disbursement must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information or provide clarifying information if memo items are not required. (11 CFR § 104.9)

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,

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