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Public Disclosure Commission Statement of Understanding Kennewick Citizens Levy & Bond Committee: PDC Case 139467

(Pat Mastaler) am the Chair and authorized representative of the Kennewick Citizens Levy & Bond Committee (the Committee). The Committee, organized on or about March 14, 2012, supports Kennewick School District ballot measures. For the February 2023 Special Election, the Committee first filed a Political Committee Registration (C-1pc) on June 15, 2022.

The Committee acknowledges violating **RCW 42.17A.235 & .240** by not timely and accurately disclosing expenditures and contributions on the Receipts & Expenditure Summary (C-4) report and the Cash Receipts, Monetary Contributions (C-3) report as follows:

- a. The Committee filed twenty C-3 reports in June 2023, past the applicable submission deadlines and least three months after the February 2023 election. The contributions received were primarily ongoing small contributions from school district staff and totaled \$7,936.00.
- b. The Committee filed seven C-4 reports in June 2023, past the applicable submission deadlines and least three months after the February 2023 election. At least three of these C-4 reports reported consequential expenditures of the Committee that would have been of interest to the public during the time of the campaign, to include:
 - C-4 #110152664, period 12/1/22-1/23/23 for \$4,719.93 for postcards printing and mailing.
 - C-4 #110152670, period 1/24/23-2/6/23 for \$427.34 for signs distribution.
 - C-4 #110152696 (amended), period 2/7/23-2/28/23 for \$1,868.60 for robo calls.

The Committee would like to avoid the time and expense resulting from a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (Brief Enforcement Hearing). Therefore, in lieu of a hearing, the Committee acknowledges that it violated Washington law as described above and agree to enter this Statement of Understanding to resolve this case with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC).

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Further, per the Penalty Schedule in WAC 390-37-143, the Committee agrees to pay a \$150 penalty for its violations of RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240.

By signing this Statement of Understanding, the Committee acknowledges that it violated RCW 42.17A.235 and RCW 42.17A.240 and waives its right to a hearing in this matter. The Committee further understand that by signing this Statement of Understanding and paying \$150 civil penalty, PDC Case no. 139467 is resolved.

Pat Mastaler, Committee Chair

 $\frac{8/15/2023}{\text{Date Signed}}$

Please make your check or money order payable to the "Washington State Treasurer" and be sure to include PDC Case number 139467 in the memorandum field, and mail or deliver this Statement of Understanding along with your payment/check, by **August 31, 2023**, to the PDC at the following address:

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