To whom it may concern,

Responding to PDC complaint 141981, I filed as a mini filer for my campaign and as such acted as my own treasurer. I did not solicit donations and planned to fund my campaign by myself. Despite my asking supporters not to donate funds to my campaign, people and organizations insisted on donating money to demonstrate support for my efforts to run for office. As a reflex and with a desire to recognize and declare that I received funds for my campaign I began to file with the PDC as I received these funds. I was informed that I did not need to disclose any activity as long as I remained a mini filer. Believing I was not required to, and it was possibly harmful to donors, I stopped making entries In Orca about my campaign. I did not receive any requests for further information, and I remained under the impression that I was within compliance with the PDC, until receiving an email on September 7<sup>th,</sup> that a complaint had been filed about my campaign. I have requested help from the PDC and am working to fill in any missing information and amend my filing as soon as possible. My campaign received much less than \$4000. dollars including my own funds and I have a remaining bank balance of \$2857.10 after paying various expenses. I fully wish to and will cooperate to answer any questions and I will endeavor to learn more about using the filing software with the goal of complying with all PDC regulations and avoid any future confusion about my campaign finances. While I continue to deal with blood cancer and anemia. I have maintained the bank balance in the event that my health will allow, and I feel the need to enter another race in 2024 with the continued goal of defending democracy and standing up for those who face bigotry and hate.

Sincerely,

**Ted Cummings**