May 23, 2019

The Honorable Kevin Mullin California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 3160 Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: Assembly Bill 864 (Mullin) - DISCLOSE Act Clean Up - SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Mullin.

On May 16, 2019, the bi-partisan Fair Political Practices Commission voted to support Assembly Bill 864, a bill that will clean up provisions of the DISCLOSE Act (AB 249) and provide clarity to advertisement disclaimer requirements.

Under current law, disclosure statements on specified state and local political advertisements require certain content and formatting in order to inform voters.

AB 864 makes numerous minor and technical clarifying changes to the DISCLOSE Act to promote compliance, reduce complexity, and eliminate conflicts in the statute. Specifically, AB 864 will clarify disclosure requirements of mass mailings, mass electronic mailings, electronic media advertisements, large print advertisements including billboards, and television and video advertisements. The improvements to the Political Reform Act were proposed in coordination with the Commission.

For these reasons, the FPPC is pleased to support AB 864. If you have any questions, please contact Jay Wierenga at jwierenga@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely

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