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February 1, 2010

Mr. Chuck Sambar
Sambar for School Board

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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 09/242, Greg Krikorian, Chuck Sambar, Joylene Wagner

Dear Mr. Sambar:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),[1] found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a complaint filed against you that alleged you failed to comply with the Political Reform Act's sender identification requirements for mass mailings.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you, Ms. Joylene Wagner, and Mr. Greg Krikorian mailed 12,521 mailers that promoted all three of you for election to the Glendale Unified School District Board of Education. These mailers were paid for by you, Ms. Wagner, and Mr. Krikorian. The outside of the mailers did not include any of your names, street addresses, or cities. However, the outside of the mailers indicated that your committees paid for the mailers by listing your committee identification numbers.

The Act provides that certain minimum disclosure is required on mass mailers. Specifically, the Act provides that "no candidate or committee shall send a mass mailing unless the name, street address, and city of the candidate or committee are shown on the outside of each piece of mail in the mass mailing and on at least one of the inserts included within each piece of mail of the mailing in no less than 6-point type." (Gov't Code Section 84305(a).)

[1] The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

Your actions violated the Act because your name, street address, and city were not printed on the outside of each piece of mail.

This letter serves as a written warning. The information in this matter will be retained and may be considered should an enforcement action become necessary based on newly discovered information or future conduct. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act in the future will result in monetary penalties of up to $5,000 for each violation.

A warning letter is an FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. However, the warning letter resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause hearing or hearing before an Administrative Law Judge or the Fair Political Practices Commission. If you wish to avail yourself of these proceedings by requesting that your case proceed with prosecution rather than a warning, please notify us within ten (10) days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of this case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

Please feel free to contact me at (916) 322-7776 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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