FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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November 1, 2010

Mr. Michael Schwab
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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 10/749; Michael Schwab

Dear Mr. Schwab:

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 provide Ms. Angini Kumar, Treasurer of the San Mateo County Central Republican Committee ("Committee") in June 2010, access to checks, donations, receipts, and other necessary documents necessary for her to complete campaign reports.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that the semi-annual campaign statement filed by the Committee on or about July 27, 2010, failed to include contributions totaling approximately $600. Your actions violated the Act because as an elected member of the San Mateo County Central Republican Committee, you violated Section 84211 of the Act, which requires the disclosure of specified information on semi-annual campaign statements. In addition, you violated Section 83116.5 by preventing the Treasurer from fulfilling her duties under the Act in connection with the filing of that semi-annual statement. However, since the Committee amended the statement on or about September 22, 2010, and you cooperated with the investigation, we have decided to close this case with a warning letter.

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.

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[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.

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 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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