STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3050 • Sacramento, CA 95811

October 16, 2026

Ibis Lopez
Via email only: [redacted]

Warning Letter re FPPC No. 2026-00903; Ibis Lopez

Dear Ibis Lopez:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act").[1] As you are aware, in response to the Fair Political Practices Commission's pre-election outreach program, we were made aware by the Tulare County Registrar of Voters that you failed to timely file a pre-election campaign statement in connection with the November 3, 2026 General Election. The Enforcement Division has completed its review of the facts in this case. Specifically, we found that you failed to timely file the first pre-election campaign statement.

The Act requires candidates who do not have an open committee and do not plan to raise or spend $2,000 or more in connection with the applicable election to file Form 470 (Campaign Statement – Short Form) covering the entire calendar year by the deadline for the first pre-election campaign statement.[2]

You violated the Act because you failed to file your Form 470 by the September 24, 2026 deadline to file the first pre-election campaign statement. But, for the following reasons, the Enforcement Division has decided to close your case with a warning letter rather than a fine: You were referred as part of the proactive pre-election outreach program; you filed your Form 470 after you were contacted by the Enforcement Division; you filed it before the election; and you have not had a prior violation of this section of the Act. Please note that while the Enforcement Division is closing this matter without a fine, your filing officer may assess late filing penalties.

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, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.
[2] Sections 84200.5 and 84206.

A warning letter is an Enforcement Division case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. The Enforcement Division is authorized to issue warning letters to conclude cases in certain circumstances. 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 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 10 days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the Enforcement Division 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 Commission's website 10 days from the date of this letter.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at vjimmy@fppc.ca.gov or (279) 237-5971.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Jimmy

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Commission Counsel
Enforcement Division

Cc: *Filing Officer*