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SENSITIVE**MEMORANDUM**

August 12, 2021

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *AP*
Staff Director

FROM: Patricia C. Orrock *PCO*
Chief Compliance Officer

Krista J. Roche *KJR*
Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: Recommendation to Approve Negotiated Settlement
ADR 1013 – Iowans for a Progressive Tomorrow
(C90017666)

RESOLUTION TERMS: Pay a civil penalty of \$3,700.

Attached for your review is a signed Negotiated Settlement pertaining to ADR 1013 (MUR 7405). The ADR Office received this referral on April 23, 2021 pursuant to a vote of the Commission.

SUMMARY: On June 5, 2018, the Federal Election Commission (the FEC or Commission) received a Complaint filed by Jon Neiderbach alleging that Iowans for a Progressive Tomorrow, Inc. (Respondent), an Iowa non-profit organization, made an independent expenditure in support of a Congressional candidate, but failed to file a 24-Hour Report with the Commission and failed to register and report as a political committee “despite obviously attempting to influence an election for federal office.”

Respondent filed three (3) 24-Hour Reports on May 31, 2018, to support the expenditures at issue, six days prior to the relevant election. Respondent states that the nomination or election of federal candidates was not its major purpose, and therefore, it was not a political committee. Respondent further states that it no longer engages in federal election activities.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached Negotiated Settlement of Iowans for a Progressive Tomorrow.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.