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MEMORANDUM

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TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer *AP*
Staff Director

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

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Acting Director, ADR Office

SUBJECT: ADR 844 Jimmy Gomez for Congress and Mary Hodge, Treasurer,
Informational Memo on Assignment

The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred RAD 17L-38 for processing on October 3, 2017, and the ADR Office designated the referral ADR 844. We include a summary and discussion of the referral for your information. We anticipate initiating communication with Respondents in ADR 844 within five (5) business days. Please contact Krista Roche if you have any questions or concerns before then.

Summary of Case: RAD referred Jimmy Gomez for Congress and Mary Hodge, Treasurer, (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to disclose all financial activity on their original 2017 12 Day Pre-Special General Report filed on March 23, 2017. The Committee filed an Amended 2017 12 Day Pre-Special General Report disclosing \$113,127 in debts not previously disclosed on March 31, 2017, eight days after the original report and four days prior to the election. Subsequently, the Committee amended their 2017 12 Day Pre-Special General Report several times disclosing a total of \$130,114.76 in debts not included on the original report.

Respondents contend in a Miscellaneous Electronic Submission (FEC Form 99) filed on September 5, 2017, in response to a Request For Additional Information that the errors occurred due to a staff misunderstanding of reporting requirements regarding debt owed to vendors, and that as soon as the error was discovered an amended report was filed which disclosed most of the debt at issue. The

Committee indicates that it has instituted training for campaign staff members and volunteers regarding disclosure requirements and instituted procedures regarding vendor invoices to ensure accurate and timely reporting.

NONDISCLOSURE