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MEMORANDUM

January 28, 2020

TO: The Commission

THROUGH: Alec Palmer
Staff Director *AP 1/27/20 AH*

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

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to Approve Negotiated Settlement
ADR 936 — Taking Action for Suffolk County and Cindy
Morris, Treasurer (C00637645)

RESOLUTION TERMS: Complete training in consultation with the FEC's
Information Division regarding tracking and reporting
independent expenditures and pay a civil penalty of \$2,900.

Attached for your review is a signed Negotiated Settlement pertaining to ADR 936 (RAD 19L-34). The ADR Office received this referral on September 18, 2019.

SUMMARY: The Reports Analysis Division (RAD) referred Taking Action for Suffolk County and Cindy Morris, Treasurer (Respondents or the Committee) for failing to file two (2) 48-Hour Reports totaling \$57,772.84 to support ten (10) independent expenditures disclosed on the Amended 2018 12-Day Pre-General Report, received November 1, 2018.

The Committee stated that the 2018 election cycle was the first time it disseminated independent expenditures, and the error occurred due to an unforeseen staffing issue. The Committee further stated that it has since appointed a new Treasurer, engaged a new accounting firm with experience in Commission reporting, and commissioned a training for relevant personnel on compliance issues.

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the attached negotiated settlement of Taking Action for Suffolk County and Cindy Morris, Treasurer.
2. Approve the appropriate letters.
3. Close the file on this matter.