## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of )
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MUR 5387: Welch for Wisconsin and ) MUR 5387 and MUR 5446
John J. Hiller, as treasurer, Citizens for )
Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as )
treasurer; Senator Robert T. Welch, )
MUR 5446. Welch for Wisconsin and )
John J. Hiller, as treasurer; Citizens for )
Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as )
treasurer; Senator Robert T. Welch, )
Jeanne Welch, Republican Party of )
Wisconsin and Buck Shilling, as )
treasurer; Gateway Ventures; Phil )
Prange. )

## CERTIFICATION

I, Mary W. Dove, Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby

certify that on December 10, 2004, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to

take the following actions in MURs 5387 and 5446:

### MUR 5387

1.  Find no reason to believe that Robert T. Welch; Welch for
    Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer; and Citizens for Welch
    and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer, violated 2 U S.C. §441i.

2.  Approve the appropriate letters.

3.  Close the file.

### MUR 5446

1.  Find no reason to believe that Robert T. Welch; Welch for
    Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer; and Citizens for Welch
    and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.

2    Find no reason to believe that Gateway Ventrures, or Phil Prange violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.

3.    Find no reason to believe that the Republican Party of Wisconsin and Buck Shilling, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §441i.

4.    Find reason to believe that Robert T. Welch; Welch for Wisconsin and John J. Hiller, as treasurer; and Citizens for Welch and Richard J. Rathjen, as treasurer, violated 11 C.F.R. §110.3(d) and take no further action other than to send a letter of admonishment

5.    Find no reason to believe that Jeanne Welch violated any provision of the Act or its corresponding regulations.

6.    Approve the appropriate letters

7    Close the file.

Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner and Weintraub

voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

December 10, 2004
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Date

_Darlene Harris_
for    Mary W. Dove
Secretary of the Commission