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OFFICE OF GENERAL
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FM: Veterans for the Constitution

PO Box 251

East Moline, IL 61244

RE: MUR 6367

13 September, 2010

SUBJECT: VETERANS FOR THE CONSTITUTION's reply to James Moody's complaint to the FEC

To Whom It May Concern;

The purpose of this letter is to address James P. Moody's complaint to the Federal Election Commission, dated 27 August, 2010, wherein he accuses the *Veterans for the Constitution* (a political action committee, referred to henceforth as V4C) of violating several FEC rules, regulations, guidelines et al. Speaking for our organization, I would like to address each allegation one at a time, but I feel compelled to restate what V4C first advised the FEC in a letter (of which a copy is attached) dated 29 June, 2010: *"We are a very small organization and our goal is to back candidates in the Illinois 17th District who believe in and support the Constitution of the United States. Our donations are minimal and our organizational structure is myself and two other vets. We are truly a "mom & pop" organization that is grass roots in nature. It is collectively our first venture into the political arena and because of that, our skills and aptitude in dealing with the FEC's rules and regulations are remedial. But please know it is our intention to follow the law in all matters."*

Per the excerpt from V4C's letter to the FEC above, it is vitally important you understand we are nothing more than a group of concerned veteran-citizens. We are not a large, well-established, corporate-level, scheming and conniving organization operating with a malicious or devious intent. Simply stated, we are "everyday folk" with a single goal – making our country, once again, a *nation of honor*, one that will be safe and secure for our children... a nation that actively follows and defends our Constitution with a belief that the words *"In God We Trust"* represent much more than a mere motto stamped on our currency.

In his seven-page complaint, Mr. Moody stated his belief is that V4C is some type of agent, front, or shell for the *Bobby Schilling for Congress* committee and further alleged that V4C acts in concert with and is directed by same. Moody stated monies spent by V4C are nothing more than unreported political contributions to the Schilling campaign. He further wrote V4C was late in filing for the status of a Political Action Committee (PAC) and did not meet FEC's guidelines with regard to reporting contributions. Additionally, he asserted V4C did not include a disclaimer of *paid for by V4C* on our two billboards and one newspaper advertisement (copy attached). Finally, Mr. Moody claimed V4C used a candidate's name in the title of our organization and web site.

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Mr. Moody is "urging" the FEC to conduct an investigation, issue a cease-and-desist order against our PAC, and levy a fine on V4C in "the maximum amount permitted by law". This from a man who states he is only filing a complaint with the FEC for purely altruistic reasons -- not because he is the Democratic County Chairman for Sangamon County, Illinois, nor because he is a financial backer of Phil Hare's campaign. It is not my sincere belief that Moody has a vested interest in shutting down V4C.

It is the contention of V4C that this "independent" complaint was filed at the behest of those involved with the Hare campaign. V4C further contends said complaint is nothing more than a retaliatory response brought about by V4C's ongoing efforts to unseat IL 17th District Congressman Hare from office. Further, it is our members' collective belief that the complaint was filed with the sole intention of intimidating V4C into silence. It should be noted that Hare has firsthand knowledge of FEC violations; in 2009, the FEC fined the Friends of Lane Evans \$205,000. This fine was for the same campaign finance violations Mr. Moody now accuses V4C of perpetrating. I would be remiss if I did not point out that Hare was and is to this day Congressman Evans and was a major player in his campaign.

Moody's allegations are best addressed by telling you about the history of our organization. On April 1st, 2010, IL 17th District Congressman Phil Hare was in a meeting with constituents in Quincy, IL. During the Q&A period, he was asked about the constitutionality of the newly-passed Health Care Bill. Hare responded "I don't worry about the Constitution" and moments later commented the Declaration of Independence "doesn't matter either." In our community, especially among the veterans in our community, this was an outrage and made things personal. The veterans who comprise V4C swore a solemn oath to "support and defend the Constitution, against all enemies, foreign and domestic," and Hare's comments on the Constitution and Declaration of Independence were the moral equivalent of an act of desertion against the country we have sworn to defend. His comments couldn't have been more personally insulting even if he'd tried. The passion and resentment on the part of our offended veterans only deepened further when Hare, given a chance to recant his words, refused. Personally, I have been on the sidelines of politics as an observer during a career spanning over 25 years as a US Secret Service agent. In those days, I never did more than vote. I am also a decorated combat veteran from the Vietnam War and have shed blood for my country. I could not... nor could anyone else in V4C... let Hare's vile words go unchallenged.

A like-minded friend of mine, Ken Moffett (PRESIDENT OF V4C), himself a veteran of the Vietnam War -- and later, Russ Taylor (EXECUTIVE OF V4C), a two-tour veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom -- formed what was initially called Veterans for Schilling. This loose affiliation of the three of us, plus other vets who came along later, grew from an idea over coffee. The initial group was formed on or about early- to mid-April, and then only AFTER Hare's aforementioned statement. We knew two things as absolutes: we wanted Hare out of office and Bobby Schilling (the Republican candidate) believed in the sanctity of the Constitution. So we decided to raise funds and put up a billboard calling Hare "on the carpet" for his anti-Constitution statements. It was also decided to start a web site, which we did on or about 22 April, 2010. The web address was www.Vets4Schilling.org.

On 14 April, 2010, Ken and I opened a checking account at THE National Bank (TNB) in Moline, IL, under the name of Veterans for Schilling. As word of our mission spread, we started receiving cash and checks, all of which were recorded appropriately and then deposited into the TNB account. As the donations came in, plans were made to design and purchase billboard space. On or about 15 April, "Vets 4 Schilling" signed a contract and paid for a billboard that depicted a Purple Heart & Silver Star draped over a folded American flag, with the words "We Swore to DEFEND the Constitution. Some of us BLEED, some of us DIED. Mr. Hare, the Constitution MATTERS TO US." This billboard, erected in East Moline, IL, and still standing, was "signed" Veterans4Schilling.org and paid for by Veterans for Schilling (VAS). Our intent for this billboard WAS NOT about being "pro Bobby Schilling" it was then as it is now about being ANTI-Phil Hare.

As VAS became more organized we started receiving moral support and advice from web visitors and others who supported our stand. In the mid- to late-April time frame, VAS was advised that, if over \$1000 had been collected (and it had), we would be contacted by the FEC about establishing a PAC. We were also given guidance NOT to use a candidate's name in our PAC's title.

On 22 April, nine days after our first organizational step of opening a dedicated-for-the-purpose bank account, establishing a web site, and contracting for a billboard, Ken Moffett called the FEC in Washington, DC, at 202.694.1140/202.694.1100. Ken discussed our situation with James McAlister who said he would send a copy of the FEC handbook to our organization. After receiving the handbook and reviewing the more salient points applying to us, it was agreed that we met all requirements for PAC status. On 3 May, Ken again called the FEC at 202.694.1100 and spoke with LeJuan Dean and requested PAC-filing paperwork be sent to our organization. After not receiving the materials in what seemed a reasonable delivery time for the United States Postal Service (USPS), Ken again called the FEC on 10 May, spending this time to Tonya Prescott. Ken made it a point to explain this was his second request for the PAC paperwork. Ms. Prescott told him she would send the requested paperwork without fail. On or about the mid- to late-May time frame, I picked up the paperwork, sent by Ms. Prescott, at our East Moline, IL, Post Office Box.

After perusing the enclosed documents that pertained to our organization, it was decided that we (Ken, Russ, and I) would immediately change our name to Veterans for the Constitution (V4C). We felt this was a name that would better reflect the broad conservative base that we see as our support. The name change was made to our web site (we became www.Vets4Constitution.org) and our one existing billboard was "redrawn over" to reflect Vets4Constitution.org as well as Paid for by Veterans for the Constitution. The name on our bank account at TNB was changed to Veterans for the Constitution and we ordered new checks bearing the new name as well. Nothing remained of the VAS organization but a memory. The FEC Form 1, Statement of Organization, was completed, signed, and mailed on 24 May, 2010. The letter's confirmation receipt came from Ms. Alexandra Broomhead, dated 11 June, 2010, notifying us the FEC was in possession of our statement of organization and V4C had been assigned ID #C00484147. I was also asked to clarify my response to line 6 of FEC Form 1 - Name of Any Connected Organization, et al. I had intentionally left it blank because we were not then nor are we now, affiliated

with any other organization. However, the FEC required a negative response, hence the letter I mentioned in my opening paragraph, dated 29 June, 2010.

The next order of business was the FEC Form 3X – Report of Receipts and Disbursements. The V4C officially became a PAC (per official notification by the FEC) on 1 June, 2010 and the 3X was filed in accordance with our status and funding on 7 July, 2010. In FEC Form 3X, all donations and expenditures associated with V4C (since its inception) were listed. The next 3X Form filing is in October. As I have been advised during my phone conversations with the FEC, the finance-related 3X form is the most important form and ours is in compliance. Again, Moody complains that any money collected and used prior to the formation of V4C was and is a direct contribution to the Schilling campaign. Money raised before V4C existed was used to fund two billboards and to pay for miscellaneous administrative expenses (establish a web-site, check printing, purchase candidate-support pins, et cetera). Our organization's financial records are to be found as attachments to this letter. All, and I mean ALL, donations and expenditures are thoroughly recorded and well-documented.

So, to address Moody's complaint that V4C finances are not in compliance with the FEC – I say, "not true." The 3X FEC form has been filed correctly and in a timely manner.

Was V4C tardy in submitting the PAC paperwork (FEC Form 1) within the requested 10-day window? Yes, it was late. However, we opened a bank account on 14 April; we made our initial documented inquiry to the FEC on 22 April, just nine days later. Once the FEC paperwork was received mid- to late-May, 2010, we filed on 24 May, 2010. We believe a very reasonable argument can be made that we were actually "in the process" of filing and were not technically speaking, "late."

Did V4C post the disclaimer required by law? Why yes we did. It was/is posted on both billboards and the newspaper ad (see attachments).

Were funds received by our organization used to directly benefit the Schilling campaign? No, they were not. We are on record of supporting Bobby Schilling due to his political views, as well as other conservative candidates, but one of the primary goals for our web site and our advertising is to get Phil Hare out of office. Please refer to our web site for verification of same.

Another complaint concerns a "Veterans for Bobby" issue: a dinner held on 7 May, 2010, at the American Legion in East Moline, IL. This fund raiser was organized by the then V4S organization and all proceeds were solely for the use of said entity. V4S used the money from that fund raiser for the previously mentioned billboard (our first) in East Moline, to condemn Hare for his remarks against the Constitution. Is this a direct contribution to the Schilling campaign, as stated by Moody? No, it isn't any more than a "letter to the editor" published in any newspaper, which endorses or attacks a particular candidate, is a "direct contribution." Did Schilling speak at the event? Yes, he did – along with other people V4S invited for that purpose. Furthermore, Rich Morthland (currently a candidate for IL Representative) and Vince DeBruine (candidate for the Rock Island County Board) were invited to speak, but had conflicting schedules.

How is Bobby Schilling's speaking to a gathering of veterans, any different – legally or ethically – than Hare's speaking to labor-union fund raisers? Hare holds this type of fund raiser on a regular basis and union members attend at the specific request of the Hare campaign and contributions are solicited. Neither V4C, nor the short-lived predecessor group V4S, has given a nickel to the Schilling campaign and I challenge Mr. Moody to prove otherwise. Conjecture, supposition and speculation do not qualify as evidence.

Did we use a candidate's name in our first organization's title and in the address of our web site? Yes, we did. However, when our consultation with the FEC countered our inexperience and naiveté with education and guidance, we immediately took steps to correct this error and do the right thing, changing our name (as previously stated) and completing the process of filing our PAC request with the FEC.

Item last - with reference to Mr. Moody's attachment of the "THANK YOU!!!" posting on the V4S/V4C web site for the turn out for the lasagna dinner on 7 May, it is six (6) paragraphs in length (highlighted copy attached). Acknowledging Schilling's remarks to the gathered crowd made up one of the paragraphs AND it was "split billing" at that. Ray Hamilton was also mentioned in the same paragraph in reference to his reading of a letter of endorsement of Schilling (as a defender of the constitution – see newspaper ad attachment) from our hometown Medal of Honor recipient, John Baker.

In closing, let me point something out. Moody's mantra is "Anything V4C does is directed by and of benefit to, the Schilling campaign." Period. Mr. Moody does not understand the impassioned dynamics fueling our veteran-driven organization – and I suspect he never will. I would add that, unless he ever served in uniform (of which I am doubtful) – he cannot understand that everything V4C is doing is simply about accomplishing a mission and nothing more. That mission? Return America to the people. V4C does not exist for the purpose of getting any one man into office. It does, however, exist to remove from office those that will not protect that for which we have fought.

With respect, for without oversight there would be no order. Without order there would be chaos.



William Albracht - Treasurer - Veterans for the Constitution - www.vets4constitution.org

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1.) Copy of letter to the FEC from V4C dated 29 June, 2010
- 2.) Copy of THE National Bank V4S & V4C checkbook log from 14 April – 13 September, 2010
- 3.) April, May, June, July, and August, 2010 V4S & V4C bank statements
- 4.) V4C FEC Form 3X dated 7 July, 2010 – This is being included to compare V4C finances as reported on 3X to the May and June bank statements (see highlighted areas & notes reference same).
- 5.) Copy of billboards (labeled A, B & C) and newspaper ad (labeled D) – attached as one
- 6.) Copy of the web posting "THANK YOU!!!"

TO: Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
WDC, 20483

June 29, 2010

FM: Veterans for the Constitution
PO Box 251
E. Moline, IL 67244-0251

Subject: Statement of Organization (FEC Form 1) dated 24 May, 2010 – Line 6

To Whom It May Concern,

Reference is made to the letter I received dated June 11, 2010. In the subject letter, line 6 of our Statement of Organization was called into question. Line 6, Name of Any Connected Organizations, Joint Fundraising Representatives, or Leadership PAC Sponsor, was left blank. It was left blank intentionally as we are not affiliated or connected to any other organization. Further, we do not share control or financing with other committees or organizations.

We are a very small organization and our goal is to back candidates in the Illinois 17th District who believe in and support the Constitution of the United States. Our donations are minimal and our organizational structure is myself and two other vets. We are truly a "mom & pop" organization that is grass roots in nature. It is collectively our first venture into the political arena and because of that, our skills and aptitude in dealing with the FEC's rules and regulations are remedial. But please know it is our intention to follow the law in all matters.

I do hope that this letter clears up any confusion that may have inadvertently been created by the lack of information on line 6.

Sincerely,

William Albracht – Treasurer
Veterans for the Constitution
FEC ID NO: C00484147

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**FEC
FORM 3X**

**REPORT OF RECEIPTS
AND DISBURSEMENTS**
For Other Than An Authorized Committee

Office Use Only

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (In full) TYPE OR PRINT ▼ Example: If typing, type over the lines. 12FE4M5

Veterans For The Constitution

ADDRESS (number and street)

PO BOX 251

Check if different than previously reported. (ACC)

East Moline

IL 61265-0251

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ▼

CITY ▲

STATE ▲

ZIP CODE ▲

C00787147

3. IS THIS REPORT

☒ NEW (N) OR

AMENDED (A)

4. TYPE OF REPORT (Choose One)

(b) Monthly Report Due On:

Feb 20 (M2)

May 20 (M5)

Aug 20 (M8)

Nov 20 (M11) (Non-Election Year Only)

Mar 20 (M3)

Jun 20 (M6)

Sep 20 (M9)

Dec 20 (M12) (Non-Election Year Only)

Apr 20 (M4)

Jul 20 (M7)

Oct 20 (M10)

Jan 31 (YE)

April 15 Quarterly Report (Q1)

☒ July 15 Quarterly Report (Q2)

October 15 Quarterly Report (Q3)

January 31 Year-End Report (YE)

July 31 Mid-Year Report (Non-election Year Only) (MY)

Termination Report (TER)

(c) 12-Day

PRE-Election Report for the:

Primary (12P)

Convention (12C)

General (12G)

Special (12S)

Runoff (12R)

Election on

in the State of

(d) 30-Day

POST-Election Report for the:

General (30G)

Runoff (30R)

Special (30S)

Election on

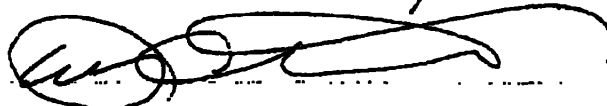
in the State of

5. Covering Period 06 01 2010 through 06 30 2010

I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer William L. Albracht

Signature of Treasurer



Date 01 07 2010

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

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FEC FORM 3X
Rev. 12/2004

For Comparison to May ending balance on statement on attached Bank statements.

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SUMMARY PAGE
OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

FEC Form 3X (Rev. 02/2003)

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Write or Type Committee Name

VETERANS FOR THE CONSTITUTION

Report Covering the Period: From: 06 01 2010 To: 06 30 2010

COLUMN A
This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

6. (a) Cash on Hand
January 1, ~~0~~
- (b) Cash on Hand at
Beginning of Reporting Period.....
- (c) Total Receipts (from Line 19)
- (d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and
6(c) for Column A and Lines
6(a) and 6(c) for Column B)
7. Total Disbursements (from Line 31)
8. Cash on Hand at Close of
Reporting Period
(subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO
the Committee (Itemize all on
Schedule C and/or Schedule D)
10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY
the Committee (Itemize all on
Schedule C and/or Schedule D)

*
1,759.13

This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee. (see FEC FORM 1M)

For further information contact:

Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Toll Free 800-424-9530
Local 202-694-1100

* The \$1,759.13 was monies donated by individuals to individuals & a former non-PAC group. The collected money was used to purchase 2 billboards & the \$1,759.13 is what was left & moved to the subject PAC on 6.1.10.

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Receipts

FEC Form 3X (Rev. 08/2004)

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Write or Type Committee Name

Report Covering the Period:

From:

To:

I. Receipts

COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

11. Contributions (other than loans) From:

(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees

(i) Itemized (use Schedule A).....

29.00

29.00

(ii) Unitemized.....

0

0

(iii) TOTAL (add Lines 11(a)(i) and (ii)).....▶

29.00

29.00

(b) Political Party Committees.....

0

0

(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....

0

0

(d) Total Contributions (add Lines 11(a)(i), (b), and (c)) (Carry Totals to Line 33, page 5).....▶

29.00

12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....

0

0

13. All Loans Received.....

0

0

14. Loan Repayments Received.....

0

0

15. Offsets To Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.) (Carry Totals to Line 37, page 5).....

0

0

16. Refunds of Contributions Made to Federal Candidates and Other Political Committees.....

0

0

17. Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.).....

0

0

18. Transfers from Non-Federal and Levin Funds

(a) Non-Federal Account

(from Schedule H3).....

0

0

(b) Levin Funds (from Schedule H5).....

0

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(c) Total Transfers (add 18(a) and 18(b))..

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0

19. Total Receipts (add Lines 11(d), 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18(c)).....▶

29.00

29.00

20. Total Federal Receipts

(subtract Line 18(c) from Line 19).....▶

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DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
of Disbursements

FEC Form 3X (Rev. 02/2003)

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II. Disbursements	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
21. Operating Expenditures:		
(a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)		
(i) Federal Share	0	0
(ii) Non-Federal Share		
(b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures		
(c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b))		
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees		
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees		
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)		
25. Committed Party Expenditures (2 U.S.C. §441a(d)) (use Schedule F)		
26. Loan Repayments Made		
27. Loans Made		
28. Refunds of Contributions To:		
(a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees		
(b) Political Party Committees		
(c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs)		
(d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c))		
29. Other Disbursements	313.67	313.67
30. Federal Election Activity (2 U.S.C. §431(20))		
(a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6)		
(i) Federal Share	0	0
(ii) "Levie" Share		
(b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds		
(c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b))		
31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) ..	313.67	313.67
32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31)	0	0

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE of Disbursements

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II. Disbursements

COLUMN A
Total This Period

COLUMN B
Calendar Year-to-Date

21. Operating Expenditures:
- (a) Allocated Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)
 - (i) Federal Share
 - (ii) Non-Federal Share
 - (b) Other Federal Operating Expenditures
 - (c) Total Operating Expenditures (add 21(a)(i), (a)(ii), and (b))
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates/Committees and Other Political Committees
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E)
25. Coordinated Party Expenditures (2 U.S.C. §441a(d)) (use Schedule F)
26. Loan Repayments Made
27. Loans Made
28. Refunds of Contributions To:
- (a) Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees
 - (b) Political Party Committees
 - (c) Other Political Committees (such as PACs)
 - (d) Total Contribution Refunds (add Lines 28(a), (b), and (c))
29. Other Disbursements
30. Federal Election Activity (2 U.S.C. §431(20))
- (a) Allocated Federal Election Activity (from Schedule H6)
 - (i) Federal Share
 - (ii) "Levin" Share
 - (b) Federal Election Activity Paid Entirely With Federal Funds
 - (c) Total Federal Election Activity (add Lines 30(a)(i), 30(a)(ii) and 30(b))
31. Total Disbursements (add Lines 21(c), 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28(d), 29 and 30(c)) ..
32. Total Federal Disbursements (subtract Line 21(a)(ii) and Line 30(a)(ii) from Line 31)

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DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
of Disbursements

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III. Net Contributions/Operating Ex- penditures	COLUMN A Total This Period	COLUMN B Calendar Year-to-Date
33. Total Contributions (other than loans) (from Line 11(d), page 3)	29 —	29 —
34. Total Contribution Refunds (from Line 28(d))	0	0
35. Net Contributions (other than loans) (subtract Line 34 from Line 33)	29 —	29 —
36. Total Federal Operating Expenditures (add Line 21(a)(i) and Line 21(b))	0	0
37. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from Line 15, page 3)	313.67	313.67
38. Net Operating Expenditures (subtract Line 37 from Line 36)	284.67	284.67

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● We Swore to DEFEND the Constitution. Some of us BLED,
some of us DIED.

MR. HARE THE CONSTITUTION
MATTERS TO US.

VeteransForSchillm.com

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This is the first billboard in East Moline, IL. I had "Veterans for Schillm" paid for by
in the billboard. It was "Don't let the Constitution die" in Veterans for Schillm.

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We Swore to DEFEND the Constitution. Some of us BLEED,
some of us DIED.

Vets4Constitution.org

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CHALLENGE

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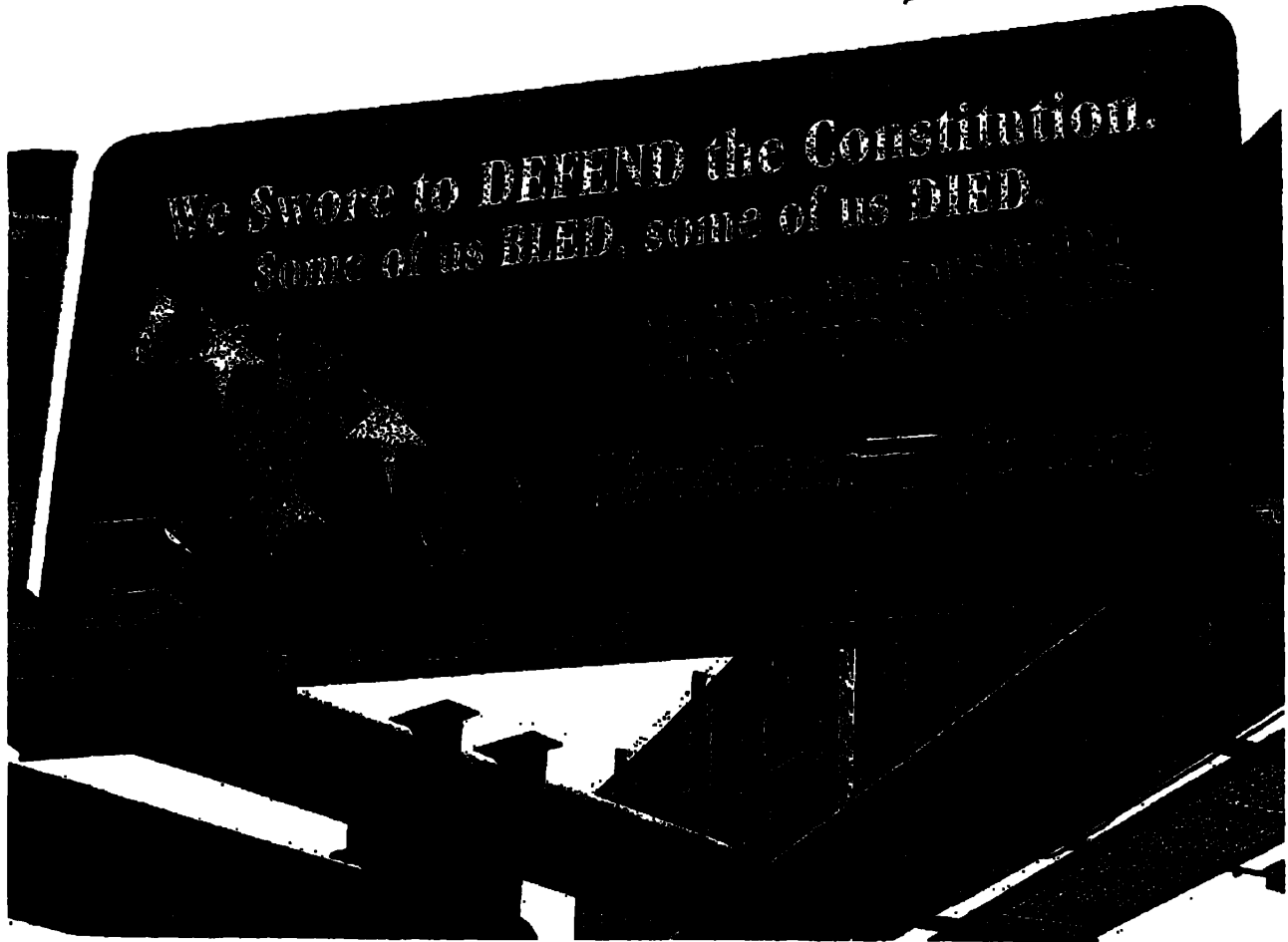
This is the same billboard as (A) after the "patch over"

to Veterans for the Constitution

THIS BILLBOARD IS NOT A

©

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We Swore to DEFEND the Constitution.
Some of us LIVED, some of us DIED.

We have no enemies
We have no friends

2nd Billboard located in Galesburg, IL
Vets 4 Constitution - Never changed.

(815) 524-6185
9432 Blackhawk Rd. • Rock Island
(309) 786-9734

To Whom It May Concern,

Soldiers, like congressmen, swear to protect and defend the Constitution against all enemies foreign and domestic. This is not a suggestion nor is it open to individual interpretation or is it to be enforced only when it is agreed with.

There is no selectivity in that oath. We do not have the luxury of choosing which parts of that cherished document we choose to uphold or to ignore for our own convenience or political expediency. There is no compromise to facilitate an agenda.

As one of the custodians of our Nation's highest military award, I am honor bound to protect and defend as well as uphold and follow the provisions of the Constitution. This sacred duty is shared by all servicemen and women as well as our congressmen and senators. It is tragic that any one of them needs to be reminded of their duty. I believe that every citizen of this country expects every elected official to execute their sworn duty to "protect and defend against all enemies foreign and domestic."

As we now find ourselves working through some difficult times, it becomes even more important that we cleave to this inspired, sacred document created by our founding fathers as a legacy and the fundamental road map for our Country. The Constitution is the bedrock document of this Nation. No man sworn to uphold and defend it, under any circumstances, can ever say it doesn't matter. Too many men have made the ultimate sacrifice to now denigrate the importance of our Constitution.

I believe that Bobby Schilling is committed to America. I believe that the Constitution does matter to Bobby Schilling and that he will protect and defend the Constitution of these United States.

With respect to all,

John F. Baker Jr.

John F. Baker Jr. - Medal of Honor - U.S. Army (Ret)

www.vets4constitution.org



THIS IS THE AD (THE ONLY AD) WE (VAC) RAN.

PAID FOR BY...

THANK YOU!!!

Vets 4 Schilling Fundraiser Huge Success

Veterans For Schilling would like to take this opportunity to thank all who attended, but especially the volunteers that made the event possible. So in no particular order, thank you: Annette, Paula, Mary, Non, Courtney, Pat H. & Pat S. for donating your time to make the Lasagna dinner fundraiser an outstanding event.

Bobby's remarks to the crowd on hand had everyone up and applauding. It was not only a testament to Bobby, but to the message he is delivering to the voters of the 17th, and that message is "enough is enough." The people must again regain control of their government and let it begin HERE and let it begin NOW. As inspirational and on-target as Bobby's remarks were, the true highlight of the evening was the letter read by Ray Hamilton from Sergeant John Baker, the Quad Cities' own Medal of Honor recipient (much more on this later).

The 50/50 drawing was won by the Handel Family of Colona (with the lovely and charming Holly actually holding the winning ticket). Holly and her family (dominated by Marines!) donated the winnings back to Vets 4 Schilling! Our most sincere thanks to the Handel family... and even the Marines.

Retired Captain Rich "Big Mac" McDonald sent in a \$100 donation for the event. Rich lives in the Philly area but served shoulder-to-shoulder in heavy combat with Bill Albracht and figures this makes him even! Seriously, Rich is a great American and also wants his country back.

All in all, the event raised almost \$1350! This money will go directly to the next *Veterans For Schilling* billboard to be erected at a specially-targeted venue in the 17th Congressional District. So to paraphrase that famous naval hero John Paul Jones, *we have not yet begun to fight!* We now have the momentum and we mean to keep it.

Remember, every donation to *Veterans For Schilling* goes directly to the cause. There are no administrative expenses or fees. Every cent is accounted for and is spent on nothing but getting our message out, so please send whatever you can whenever you can.

Ken Moffett, Russ Taylor, and Bill Albracht

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The event, 7 May, was 3 weeks or 2 day after forming & before we received guidance from the FEC.

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