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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

Alexander Meluskey; Meluskey for U.S., Senate, Inc. and Julianne Ryan in her official capacity as treasurer; Salem Media Group, Inc.; Prescott Valley Broadcasting Co., Inc.; Premier Radio Stations, LLC MUR 7073

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura E. Sinram, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on December 12, 2017, the Commission took the following

actions in the above-captioned matter:

1. Failed by a vote of 2-3 to:

Find reason to believe that Meluskey for U.S. Senate, Inc. and Julianne Ryan in her official capacity as treasurer failed to accurately disclose information about the source of funds Alexander Meluskey loaned to his campaign in violation of 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b).

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Goodman, Hunter, and Petersen dissented.

2. Failed by a vote of 3-2 to:

The Statement of Reasons to be issued by one or more Commissioners voting nay on motion one (1) be provided to the respondent.

Commissioners Goodman, Hunter, and Petersen voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub dissented.

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- 3. Failed by a vote of 2-3 to:
 - a. Take no action at this time with respect to Salem Media Group, Inc.
 - b. Take no action at this time with respect to Prescott Valley Broadcasting Co., Inc.
 - c. Take no action at this time with respect to Premier Radio Stations, LLC.

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Goodman, Hunter, and Petersen dissented.

4. Failed by a vote of 3-2 to:

Find no reason to believe that Salem Media Group, Inc., Prescott Valley Broadcasting Co., Inc., and Premier Radio Stations, LLC violated the Act.

Commissioners Goodman, Hunter, and Petersen voted affirmatively for the motion.

Commissioners Walther and Weintraub dissented.

- 5. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to:
 - a. Find reason to believe that Alexander Meluskey violated 52
 U.S.C. § 30102(e)(1) by failing to file a timely Statement of Candidacy.
 - b. Find no reason to believe that Meluskey for U.S. Senate, Inc. and Julianne Ryan in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b)(5)(A) or (6)(A) by failing to disclose disbursements for printing.
 - c. Find reason to believe that Meluskey for U.S. Senate, Inc. and Julianne Ryan in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30104(b)(2) and 30120(a) by accepting and failing to disclose in-kind contributions and by failing to include the appropriate disclaimers in episodes of "The Alex Meluskey Show".

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- d. Authorize the use of compulsory process, as necessary.
- e. Approve the relevant sections of the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated April 13, 2017, subject to the edits last circulated by Commissioner Weintraub's Office on December 4, 2017.
- f. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Goodman, Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively

for the decision.

- 6. Decided by a vote of 5-0 to:
 - a. Close the file as to Salem Media Group, Inc., Prescott Valley Broadcasting Co., Inc., and Premier Radio Stations, LLC.
 - b. Send the appropriate letters informing them of the closure.

Commissioners Goodman, Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively

for the decision.

Date

Attest:

Laura E. Sinram Deputy Secretary of the Commission