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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
OFFICE OF COMPLAINTS EXAMINATION
ATT: MS. KATHRYN ROSS

Dear Ms Ross,

In 2012, concerned with the quality of our candidates for the 26 DIST (FROM BOTH PARTIES), I decided to run for the Congress for the first time, it was a decision born from the frustration of observing so many of the politicians involved in cases or allegation of fraud and corruption.

In my first campaing I paid out of my pocket, from personal funds, the qualifing fee at a great financial sacrifice. The record will also show that I complied with all the requirements of The FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION.

In 2016 When I decided to run for OFFICE, aggain it was a decision motivated by the same issues that previously caused Me great

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Concern I began to follow all the procedures for registering as a Candidate. I registered, opened an account for my Campaing finances and as I did in my first Campaing I was prepared to make the necessary financial sacrifices and transfer funds from my personal account to cover the registration fee. Unfortunately before I could do that, a family crisis was created. I had to switch my priorities to assure the and since my finances are limited I could hardly cover the medical costs and travel cares to Brasil to my Father, which I continue to do Today.

I CONTACTED The FLORIDA ELECTION COMMISSION SEVERAL TIMES by PHONE and was assured a response, wich never came. Knowing of the RETURNED cheque due to lack of funds for the qualifying fee, I took for granted that my Candidacy would be automatically Cancelled. I discontinued

my campaign, I neither received or requested donations or contributions essentially assuming I was no longer a candidate

My focus in that circle was going back and forth to Brasil to monitor my Fathers healthcare. It was a great surprise for me to learn that my name was on the ballot and even greater surprise to learn that despite the fact that I did spend a penny, more than 17000 citizens voted for me in my district

PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR MY FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE FORMERLY WITH FLORIDA ELECT COMMISSION AND MY ERROR IN ASSUMING THAT MY CANDIDACY WAS AUTOMATICALLY CANCELED.

Please accept this letter, in the hope of clarifying any misunderstanding and to make any appropriate adjustments for the Record.

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Thank You very much for Your help.

God Bless You and the United States of America

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