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BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MURs 7199, 7219 and 7242
Patrick Murphy; Friends of Patrick)
Murphy and Brian Foucart in his official)
capacity as treasurer; Thomas Murphy,)
Jr.; Coastal Construction Group of South)
Florida, Inc.; Floridians for a Strong)
Middle Class and Jennifer May in her)
official capacity as treasurer; Senate)
Majority PAC and Rebecca Lambe in her)
official capacity as treasurer)

CERTIFICATION

I, Laura E. Sinram, recording secretary of the Federal Election Commission executive session, do hereby certify that on April 10, 2018, the Commission took the following actions in the above-captioned matter:

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

- a. Find no reason to believe that Patrick Murphy and Friends of Patrick Murphy and Brian Foucart in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(f) and 30104(b) by accepting an excessive or prohibited contribution and failing to properly report a loan to the Murphy campaign.
- b. Find no reason to believe that Thomas Murphy, Jr. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) by making an excessive contribution to the Murphy campaign.
- c. Find no reason to believe that Coastal Construction Group of South Florida, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30118 by making a prohibited contribution to the Murphy campaign.

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- d. Find no reason to believe that Floridians for a Strong Middle Class and Jennifer May in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) by making an excessive contribution to the Murphy campaign.
- e. Find no reason to believe that Senate Majority PAC and Rebecca Lambe in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) by making an excessive contribution to the Murphy campaign.
- f. Approve the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated November 2, 2017.
- g. Approve the appropriate letters.
- h. Close the file.

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

Commissioner Weintraub dissented.

2. ~~Decided by a vote of 4-0 to:~~

- a. Find no reason to believe that Patrick Murphy and Friends of Patrick Murphy and Brian Foucart in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(f) and 30104(b) by accepting an excessive or prohibited contribution and failing to properly report a loan to the Murphy campaign in connection with the stock buyback and bank loan.
- b. Find no reason to believe that Thomas Murphy, Jr. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30116(a) by making an excessive contribution to the Murphy campaign in connection with the stock buyback and bank loan.
- c. Find no reason to believe that Coastal Construction Group of South Florida, Inc. violated 52 U.S.C. § 30118 by making a prohibited contribution to the Murphy campaign in connection with the stock buyback and bank loan.
- d. Direct the Office of General Counsel to amend and circulate the Factual and Legal Analysis, as recommended in the First General Counsel's Report dated November 2, 2017, to reflect Findings 2(a)-(c).

e. ~~Send the appropriate letters.~~

Commissioners Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

4/13/18

Date _____

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