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BY EMAIL

Ms. Lisa J. Stevenson Acting General Counsel Federal Election Commission 1050 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20463

> Re: MUR 7367 - Response of Brindisi for Congress and Jennifer May, in her capacity as Treasurer; Friends of Anthony J. Brindisi and Lorraine McGovern, in her capacity as Treasurer; and New York State Assemblyman Anthony J. Brindisi

## Dear Ms. Stevenson:

This response is submitted on behalf of the above-referenced respondents in response to the Commission's letters dated April 24, 2018, notifying each respondents of a complaint filed by Mr. Heath Phillips, designated by the Commission as MUR 7367.<sup>1</sup>

To the extent Mr. Phillips' complaint recites any facts purporting to "describe a violation of a statute or regulation over which the Commission has jurisdiction,"<sup>2</sup> Mr. Phillips states that he "went to [Mr. Brindisi's] Congressional account [*i.e.*, Brindisi for Congress] and can not find any donations listed from his Assembly account [*i.e.*, Friends of Anthony J. Brindisi]....<sup>3</sup>

Although Mr. Phillips was apparently unable to "find" the two contributions from Friends of Anthony J. Brindisi listed on Brindisi for Congress' FEC reports, the contributions were, in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This response is filed timely pursuant to an extension granted by Commission staff.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 11 CFR § 111.4(d)(3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Mr. Phillips attached printouts to his complaint that appear to be from the New York State Board of Elections listing two reported \$1,000 contributions from Friends of Anthony J. Brindisi to Brindisi for Congress.

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fact, there to be *found*. Specifically, one \$1,000 contribution received on August 4, 2017, is itemized on Page 192 of the Brindisi for Congress October 15 Quarterly FEC Report<sup>4</sup> and a second \$1,000 contribution received January 18, 2018, is itemized on Page 396 of the April 15 Quarterly FEC Report.<sup>5</sup>

Accordingly, pursuant to 52 U.S.C. § 30109, this matter should be dismissed.<sup>6</sup>

Respectfully Submitted,

Brad Deutsch Counsel to Brindisi for Congress, Friends of Anthony J. Brindisi, and Anthony J. Brindisi

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<sup>4</sup> Copy attached and also available at

http://docquery.fec.gov/pdf/854/201710139075643854/201710139075643854.pdf (Transaction ID: VTR1M9RQX90).

<sup>5</sup> Copy attached and also available at

http://docquery.fec.gov/pdf/665/201804159108235665/201804159108235665.pdf (Transaction ID: VTR1MCPDF00).

<sup>6</sup> Respondents note that the two \$1,000 contributions – one in 2017 and one in 2018 – are fully compliant and consistent with both 11 CFR § 110.1 (contribution limit) and 11 CFR § 100.5 (political committee). Furthermore, the contributions from Friends of Anthony J. Brindisi to Brindisi for Congress contained only federally permissible funds.

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