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RE: MUR 7572 - Hawaii Republican Party and Cam Cavasso Campaign

To Whom It May Concern:

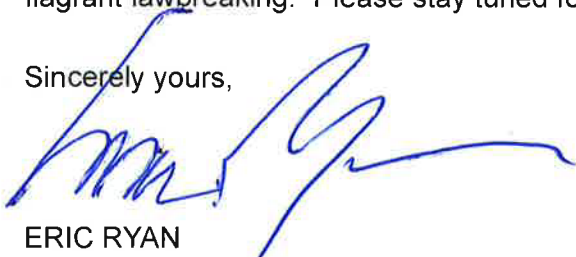
Please find attached my letter dated this day to U.S. Attorney Kenji Price concerning the above-referenced matter which is being simultaneously investigated by the FEC and by the FBI at the direction of Hawaii's U.S. Attorney.

As my letter indicates, I have been informed by party whistleblowers that the state chairwoman of the Hawaii Republican Party (HRP) undertook a sustained in-house document shredding operation upon receiving your communication about MUR 7572 in early March 2019.

Also, I also want you to expect to receive shortly an additional and very comprehensive complaint about HRP's knowing, deliberate and consistent refusal to report tens of thousands of dollars in transactions in 2018 and 2019. Tying this forthcoming complaint to MUR 7572 is that both plots to deceive the FEC were hatched at the same post-election meeting of HRP's State Committee on 27 November 2018. A mountain of audio and documentary evidence is coming your way which proves the existence of an off-books slush fund operated by HRP leaders.

In the meantime, please don't let HRP's leaders deceive the FEC and the public any longer with flagrant lawbreaking. Please stay tuned for my forthcoming complaint. Thanks!

Sincerely yours,



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ENCLOSURES: Letter to U.S. Atty Kenji Price (Hawaii) re HRP Shredding / 04-22-19

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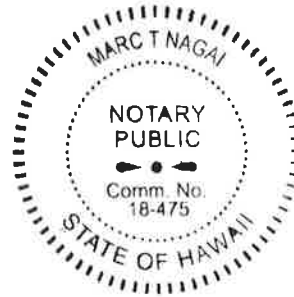
Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me

This 22nd day of April, 20 19.

By Eric S. Ryan

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Marc T. Nagai, Notary Public

My Commission Expires 19 August 2022

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RE: Massive Multi-Day Document Shredding Effort Led by Hawaii GOP Chairwoman Shirlene Ostrov Undertaken THE SAME NIGHT That FEC Formally Notified Her About Money Laundering Investigation

Dear Mr. Price:

As the subject of this letter makes clear, I have been alerted by a whistleblower working at Hawaii Republican Party (HRP) headquarters at 725 Kapiolani Blvd. that immediately after being notified that the investigation had been launched by the Federal Elections Commission (FEC) into HRP's knowing, intentional and illegal money laundering scheme for the benefit of Cam Cavasso's congressional campaign, state chair Shirlene Ostrov led a multi-week document shredding effort at HRP headquarters.

According to our sources, HRP headquarters started buzzing with concern on Tuesday, 05 March 2019 when a package from the FEC arrived that day containing "lots of papers with questions" and an audio CD. Furthermore, HIRA was informed that the party's attorney, Gary Grimmer, was given the task of preparing HRP's responses to the FEC communication. [In addition, Grimmer subsequently quit his position of party attorney and reportedly HRP's longtime national committeewoman Miriam Hellreich informed others that she wants to get her own personal attorney to represent her.]



More urgently, according to the whistleblower -- a volunteer who has worked regularly at HRP headquarters for months -- Chairwoman Ostrov started holding daily/nightly document shredding sessions starting that night -- Wednesday, 06 March 2019 -- and continued with the unprecedented mass document shredding sessions for the next several days/nights unabated; regularly producing enough shredded paper to fill 10-gallon trash cans and garbage bags. According to this whistleblower, a week or two of shredding took place in the middle of the night (between 6am and 10am the following morning) following HRP's receipt of the complaint from the FEC. The whistleblower reports that HRP state committeemember Carol Thomas (president of the Oahu League of Republican Women, which co-owns the office suite at 725 Kapiolani Blvd.) was one of the party officers who assisted HRP chair Ostrov with the shredding.



Like us at HIRA, you should every reason to believe that this shredding is directly related to the ongoing investigations into HRP's money laundering for Cam Cavasso as well as to destroy evidence pertaining to a major forthcoming criminal complaint to your office and to the FEC from HIRA about HRP hiding knowingly omitting tens of thousands of dollars in transactions in order to disguise the secret hiring and utilization of a mainland political consultant and other lawbreaking.

On 08 March 2018, state representative and HRP national committeeman sent an e-mail to the entire leadership of the party complaining about the audio of the 27 November 2018 meeting of the HRP Executive Committee meeting in which state chair Ostrov admitted that HRP laundered nearly \$10,000 for Cam Cavasso's congressional campaign: **“Does anyone know how this meeting was recorded and provided to HIRA? Who in the room cannot be trusted?”**




The consciousness of guilt evidenced by this document shredding launched at the start of one or more federal investigations combined with the obsession over perceived leaks (rather than the underlying criminality) is astonishing and should not be ignored.

This HRP whistleblower took photographs of HRP's garbage bags of shredded material (shown above) and even obtained several bags of these shredded documents and turned these over to HIRA for safekeeping. Please advise if and how this evidence should be turned over to your office or to the FBI. In addition, please let me know how this whistleblower can provide you or your agents with a formal statement about the shredding.

You may feel free contact me via telephone at () or via e-mail at president@hawaiiRepublicanAssembly.com. I hope to hear from your office soon.

Finally, as mentioned above, an additional criminal complaint documenting extensive, knowing, and deliberate lawbreaking at HRP in 2018 and 2019 is coming your way in the days ahead. As with the Cam Cavasso money laundering matter, HIRA believes that an ongoing coverup of the criminal conspiracy and the false reporting to the FEC and the State Campaign Spending Commission (CSC) is already being led by Ward, Ostrov and other party officers in the wake of the investigation in to the Cam Cavasso matter being started and in anticipation of what will soon be known as the "Dennis Lennox matter". The shredding reported above is just the latest example of how desperate HRP is to prevent accountability for the crimes of its officers. We are expediting completion and delivery of this new complaint to your office and to the FEC as well as to state authorities.

Sincerely yours,



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cc: Office of General Counsel (OGC), Federal Elections Commission (via UPS + cela@fec.gov)