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Office of Complaints Examination & Legal Administration  
Attn: Trace Keeys, Paralegal  
1050 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20463  
cela@fec.gov

**RE: MUR8060**

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a response to the above complaint filed by Mr. Raymond Lauk on August 23, 2022, against Candidate Andy Barr and his campaign Andy Barr for Congress. The complaint alleges that taxpayer funds were used to fund a newspaper ad in the Richmond Register.

It was not a newspaper campaign ad, and the Andy Barr for Congress campaign did not pay it. It was - as it says in the ad itself - an official communication paid for by taxpayer dollars. As you may know, all official communications must be approved by the U.S. House's bipartisan Franking Commission. This bipartisan approval ensures integrity into the process.

All approved communications are publicly available at <http://masscommsdisclosure.house.gov>. I have also attached the actual approval documents. If Mr. Lauk has a complaint with the approval of this ad, he should petition the Franking Commission.

As there is no FEC or campaign issue, the complaint must be dismissed.

Sincerely,



Andy Barr  
Andy Barr for Congress

Begin forwarded message:.

**From:** CAO Customer Experience <CAOCustomerSolutions@mail.house.gov>

**Date:** July 14, 4022 at 11:53:32 AM EDT

**Subject: Your Communication Request has received a Preliminary Authorization, and you are now free to print/produce and distribute/post this material.(AUTOMATED EMAIL)**

**Reply-To:** CAO Customer Experience <caosolutions@mail.house.gov>

Office: Barr, Andy

Request #: 22800-5

Description: Newspaper Ad - Barr Inflation Newspaper Ad

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**\*\*\* FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED \*\*\***

After you distribute the communication(s), you MUST verify the final communication sent was identical to the communication approved by the Commission. You may do so here <https://masscomms.house.gov/> and selecting "Certify Distribution" from the What Do You Want to Do dropdown. This step will generate the Staff Advisory Opinion for reimbursement, and make the request available for public disclosure.

**\*\*\*If changes were made to this material, please alert Commission staff immediately. DO NOT Certify material that is not identical to what received Preliminary Approval, as your Staff Advisory Opinion will not be valid for this material. \*\*\* Questions? Call 202.225.9337 for Democratic Staff, 202.226.0647 for Republican Staff.**

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**STAFF ADVISORY OPINION**

Office Of Andy Barr 2430ÿ RHOB	Staff Contact: Alex Bellizzi	Record Number: 22800-5
Date of Initial Review: 7/12/2022	Date Issued 7/14/2022	
Description of Request: Request for a staff advisory opinion on the frankability of material submitted as described below (copy attached).		
Format of material: Newspaper Ad	Means of distribution: Not Applicable;	
Description of material: Newspaper Ad - Barr Inflation Newspaper Ad		
Advisory: Material submitted was deemed <u>Frankable</u> under provisions of: 3210(a)(3)(A)		

U.S. CONGRESSMAN  
**ANDY BARR**  
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