## STATE OF MINNESOTA

## CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

## CONCILIATION

## AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Principals' Action League Committee (#30176):

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and, Nan Mizuhata, treasurer, Principals' Action League hereby agree as follows:

1. During calendar year 2008 the contribution limit from a political committee or fund to a House of Representatives candidate is \$500 as set out in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1, clause a (5) and clause c. In 2008 the Principals' Action League (the "Committee") made two contributions that total \$550 to the (Gene) Pelowski Volunteer Committee. The cumulative contributions exceeded by \$50 the applicable limit. The amount of the excess contribution was not returned to the Committee within 60 days and, thus, is deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In correspondence dated October 10, 2008, from Nan Mizuhata, treasurer of the Principals' Action League, she states "Because we were lacking an internal accounting ledger to track this information, this error occurred. In addition we are investigating the addition of the software that the Campaign Finance Board has offered to assist us."

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3. Board records show that this is the first year the Committee exceeded the contribution limit to a principal campaign committee. The Committee registered with the Board on June 23, 1981.

 The parties agree that the Committee made an excessive contribution to the aforementioned principal campaign committee in calendar year 2008, resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1, clause a (5) and clause c.

5. The Board imposes a civil penalty of \$50 to be paid to the Board for deposit in the general fund of the state. This civil penalty represents one times the amount by which the contribution exceeded the applicable contribution limit.

6. The Principals' Action League hereby agrees to forward to the Board \$50 by check or money order payable to the STATE OF MINNESOTA within thirty days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board chair. It is agreed by the parties that the payment of the civil penalty of \$50 and this Conciliation Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

7. It is further understood and agreed, however, that if the civil penalty of \$50 is not paid within the time specified in paragraph 6 above, then Nan Mizuhata, treasurer, will be personally liable to pay a civil penalty, under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.34, subdivision 1, in an amount calculated as follows:

(a) \$100, two times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received 31 to 60 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair;

(b) \$150, three times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received 61 to 90 days after the date this agreement is signed by the Board chair;

(c) \$200, four times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory limit, if payment is received after 90 days after the date this agreement is signed by the Board chair;

 It is further understood that if the civil penalty is not paid as agreed, within the time specified in paragraph 6 above, the Board will proceed to enforce the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 4.

9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by Nan Mizuhata and the Board Chair. Once signed, the Agreement shall become a matter of public record, and the statutory requirement of confidentiality shall no longer apply. Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.02, subdivision 11 and section 10A.28, subdivision 3.

23/08 Dated:

Nan Mizuhata, treasurer Principals Action League

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

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10/29/08 Dated:

Sven A. Wehrwein, Chair Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board