STATE OF MINNESOTA
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Leon Lillie for House Committee (#16132);

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and Representative Leon Lillie (hereinafter referred to as “the Candidate”) hereby agree as follows:

1. The Leon Lillie for House Committee (“the Committee) is the principal campaign committee of Representative Leon Lillie. The 2009 non-election year contribution limit from an individual to a state representative candidate was $100, as provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1(a)(5). During 2009, the Committee accepted a contribution from a couple on one check in the amount of $250, resulting in two $125 contributions. The contributions facially exceeded the applicable contribution limit by $50. The amount of the excess contribution was not returned within 60 days, and thus, is deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.

2. In a memo received March 12, 2010, Representative Lillie acknowledged receiving a $250 check from two individuals and states, “I sent them [a] $50 check back to get them to $200…"
3. Board records show that this is the first calendar year in which the Committee reported acceptance of a contribution that facially exceeded the applicable contribution limit. The Committee registered with the Board on June 14, 2004.

4. The parties agree that the Committee accepted and deposited excessive contributions from two individual contributors resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.27, subdivision 1(a)(5), in calendar year 2009.

5. The Committee has returned $25 to each contributor. A copy of the check used to return the contributions has been provided to the Board.

6. The Committee agrees to pay a civil penalty of $100, two times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the applicable limit, to be paid to the Board for deposit in the general fund of the state. The assessment of a penalty of two times the amount of the violations recognizes that this matter involved facially excessive contributions.

7. The Committee hereby agrees to forward to the Board $100 by check or money order payable to the STATE OF MINNESOTA within 30 days after the date this Agreement is signed by both parties. It is agreed by the parties that payment of the civil penalty of $100 and this Conciliation Agreement will be a bar to any civil proceeding under Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivisions 3 and 4.

8. It is further understood and agreed, however, that if the civil penalty of $100 is not paid within the time specified in paragraph 7 above, the terms of this conciliation agreement will be violated
and the Board may declare this agreement to be null and void and may take further action to resolve this matter.

9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by the Candidate 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.

Representative Leon Lillie

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

By Bob Milbert, Chair

Campbell Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Dated: 5-15-2010

Dated: May 4, 2010