STATE OF MINNESOTA

CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

CONCILIATION

AGREEMENT

In the matter of the Becky Lourey for Senate Committee (#13534);

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.28, subdivision 3, the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board and Becky Lourey (hereinafter referred to as "the Candidate") hereby agree as follows:

- 1. During 2006, the Becky Lourey for Senate Committee ("the Committee") accepted \$12,200 in contributions from special sources. These sources include political committees or political funds from which the Committee accepted \$200, and large givers from whom the Committee accepted \$12,000. The total amount of these contributions exceeded by \$200 the applicable limit on aggregate contributions from special sources, which for a state senate candidate was \$12,000. The amount of \$200 in excess contributions was not returned within 60 days as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 10A.15, subdivision 3.
- 2. In correspondence dated March 5, 2007, Rosanne Haynes, treasurer, stated "I have reviewed my 2006 report, and have realized that I did accept contributions that exceeded the aggregate limit."
- Board records show that this is the second calendar year in which the Committee reported acceptance of contributions that exceeded the applicable aggregate contribution limit. The Committee registered with the Board on June 7, 1996.

- 4. The parties agree that the Committee accepted excessive contributions from special sources resulting in an inadvertent violation of Minnesota Statutes, section 10A. 27, subdivision 11, in calendar year 2006.
- 5. The Committee has returned \$200 to a contributing political committee. Copies of the check and the accompanying letter returning the excess amount was provided to the Board.
- 6. The Board imposes a civil penalty of \$400, 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.
- 7. The Candidate hereby agrees to forward to the Board \$400 by check or money order payable to the STATE OF MINNESOTA within 30 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board chair. It is agreed by the parties that payment of the civil penalty of \$400, 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 \$400 is not paid within the time specified in paragraph 7 above, then the Candidate will be personally liable to pay a civil penalty, under Minnesota Statutes, sections 10A.28 and 10A.34, subdivision 1, in an amount calculated as follows:
 - (a) \$600 which is three 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;

- \$800 which is four times the amount by which the contributions exceeded the statutory (c) limit, if payment is received more than 60 days after the date this Agreement is signed by the Board Chair.
- 9. It is further understood and agreed that this Agreement is confidential until signed by the Candidate and the Board Chair; the signed Agreement then shall become a matter of public record, and the statutory requirement of confidentiality shall no longer apply. Minnesota Statutes, sections 10A.02, subdivision 11 and 10A.28, subdivision 3.

Dated: May 15, 2007

Becky Lourey

Approved by the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Sven A. Wehrwein, Vice Chair

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