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**RE: Citizen Action Notice – Frank Chopp
Notification of Results**

Dear Speaker Chopp and Mr. Morgan:

I am writing to advise you of the results of the Attorney General's Office's review of the citizen action notice identified above and received from Glen Morgan alleging violations of the state campaign finance disclosure laws contained in RCW 42.17A by the Chopp 2016 election campaign. In the notice, Mr. Morgan made allegations concerning disclosure deficiencies by the campaign. This notice was first filed with the state Public Disclosure Commission.

The AGO reviewed the notice, responses received from the campaign, and information from the PDC website. This review revealed that most of the allegations could not be substantiated or under the facts as alleged did not constitute violations of the law. Those included the alleged prohibited payments from surplus funds, failure to include occupation and employer information for one contributor, failure to identify committee officers, failure to disclose purpose and amount of reimbursement, and failure to report debt to campaign treasurer. Because of the lack of evidence to support these claims, the State is exercising its prosecutorial discretion and not filing a lawsuit related to them.

With regards to the allegations involving travel and office supplies reimbursements, untimely return of over-limit contributions, and untimely disclosure of contributions and expenditures, the

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State's review revealed sufficient evidence to support a judicial enforcement action on those claims. As such, the State initiated a lawsuit against Speaker Chopp on these allegations.

Please note that these decisions are limited to the specific facts in the citizen action notice and expresses no opinion as to the application of the law to any situations other than those alleged in the citizen action notice.

If you have further questions, please contact my office. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda A. Dalton".

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