

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD**

CONCILIATION AGREEMENT

In the matter of the marykunesh4mn committee (18500);

1. The marykunesh4mn committee is the principal campaign committee of Senator Mary Kunesh, who was a candidate for Senate District 39. The aggregate special source contribution limit, which includes contributions from lobbyists, political committees and funds, and associations not registered with the Board, was \$7,300 for candidates for state senator during the 2023-2024 election cycle segment. The committee's amended 2023 and 2024 year-end reports of receipts and expenditures disclosed a total of \$7,650 in special source contributions, which exceeded the limit by \$350.
2. The committee's treasurer, Daniel Honigs, acknowledged that the committee exceeded the limit and explained that he initially believed that several special source contributions received in 2023 had been returned without being deposited. The committee did not discover the issue until early 2025, and then refunded more than \$350 to special source contributors. The excess amount was not returned within 90 days of deposit and is therefore deemed accepted under Minnesota Statutes section 10A.15, subdivision 3.
3. The Kunesh committee and the Board agree that the committee inadvertently accepted excessive contributions from special source contributors in violation of Minnesota Statutes section 10A.27, subdivision 11, during the 2023-2024 election cycle segment. The committee registered with the Board in 2020 and has no prior violations of the aggregate special source limit.
4. To avoid a similar violation in the future, the committee agrees that its treasurer will be informed of any contributions deposited by the committee in a timely manner.
5. The Kunesh committee agrees to the imposition of a civil penalty of \$100 for accepting contributions in excess of the limit imposed by Minnesota Statutes section 10A.27, subdivision 11. Payment is due within 30 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties. The amount of the civil penalty was determined in part by the fact that this was a first-time violation of the aggregate special source limit.
6. The Kunesh committee also agrees to provide to the Board, within 60 days of the date the agreement is signed by both parties, copies of deposited checks or other documentation showing that at least \$350 has been refunded to special source contributors.

7. If the committee does not comply with the provisions of this agreement, this matter may be reopened by the Board and the Board may take such actions as it deems appropriate.

/s/ Mary Kunesh
Senator Mary Kunesh
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Dated: July 15, 2025

/s/ Faris Rashid
Faris Rashid, Chair
Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board

Dated: July 14, 2025