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**TO:** The Commission

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**RE**: MUR 8213 (Sheila Jackson Lee for Congress) – Recommendation to Accept

Signed Conciliation Agreement

On February 6, 2024, the Commission found reason to believe that Sheila Jackson Lee for Congress and Karen Y. Grays in her official capacity as treasurer (the "Committee") violated: (1) 52 U.S.C. § 30104(b) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.3 by misstating \$120,605 in receipts in calendar year 2020; (2) 52 U.S.C. § 30116(f) and 11 C.F.R. § 110.9 by knowingly accepting a total of \$129,600 of excessive contributions; and (3) 52 U.S.C. § 30118(a) and 11 C.F.R. § 114.2 by knowingly accepting a total of \$10,450 of prohibited corporate contributions. The Commission also voted to enter into pre-probable cause conciliation with the Committee. <sup>2</sup>

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Certification ¶ 2-4, MUR 8213 (Sheila Jackson Lee for Congress) (Feb. 8, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> *Id.*  $\P$  6.

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We believe that this agreement sufficiently vindicates the Commission's enforcement interests under the circumstances presented in this matter. Therefore, we recommend that the Commission accept the attached signed conciliation agreement, approve the appropriate letter, and close the file.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Accept the Conciliation Agreement with Sheila Jackson Lee for Congress and Karen Y. Grays in her official capacity as treasurer;
- 2. Approve the appropriate letter; and
- 3. Close the file.