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Independent Auditor's Report

To Howard Shore (the "Candidate")

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying Form 4 Statement of Campaign Income and Expenses of the Howard Shore Councillor Campaign 2022 (the "Campaign") for the period from July 14, 2022 to December 31, 2022 (the "financial statements"). The financial statements have been prepared by the Candidate based on the financial reporting provisions of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and guidance issued by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the results of the Campaign's operations for the period from July 14, 2022 to December 31, 2022 in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and guidance issued by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Due to the nature of the transactions inherent in organizations of this type, the completeness of various categories of income and expenses is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our audit verification of income and expenses was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Howard Shore Councillor Campaign 2022 for the period from July 14, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Consequently, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to income, expenses, assets, liabilities or deficit.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and guidance issued by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence

that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Campaign's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Use

We draw attention to the fact that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and guidance issued by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, which describe the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared to assist the management of the Campaign to comply with the financial reporting provisions of the Municipal Elections Act, 1996 and guidance issued by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the management of the Campaign, the Candidate and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and should not be used by parties other than the management of the Campaign, the Candidate and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

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