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Michelle N. Conlon  
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Dear Ms. Conlon:

This letter is regarding the nomination petition you filed seeking the office of State Representative in House District 80 as an Independent Candidate. In my previous letter dated July 25, 2008, I informed you that your petition did not contain the number of verified signatures required by law. This determination was based on a review conducted by the DeKalb County Voter Registration Office ("DeKalb County VRO"). As you may be aware, this office relies upon local voter registration offices to verify the signatures on nomination petitions using information that is required to be kept at the county elections office.

In the past few days, we have been made aware that the DeKalb County VRO conducted a further review of the signatures on your petition in response to your requests for documents related to the signatures of voters who were not initially identified, and therefore not counted as valid. The DeKalb County VRO has now concluded that at least nine signatures that initially were not counted should, in fact, be counted as valid signatures. Further, we also understand that, after conducting this additional review, the DeKalb County VRO determined that the candidacy petition contains at least 1,075 valid signatures.

With this additional information from the DeKalb VRO and based on a review of the law, your petition does contain a sufficient number of valid signatures to qualify as an Independent candidate for State Representatives District 80. Accordingly, your name will in fact appear on the November 4, 2008 General Ballot as a candidate for this office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

With express permission by Wesley Tailor

Wesley Tailor  
Director