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The Honorable John Cornyn Attorney General State of Texas Attention: Opinion Committee P.O. Box 12548 Austin, Texas 78711-2548

Dear General Cornyn:

At the request of another member of the Texas House of Representatives (letter attached), I am requesting an Attorney General's Opinion on the constitutionality of Section 255.001(a) of the Election Code requiring a disclaimer on all campaign literature as it applies to the United States Supreme Court's ruling in <u>McIntyre v. Ohio Elections Commission</u>, 514 US 334 (1995).

Please feel free to contact my staff if you have any questions, or require further information. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Debra Danburg por

Debra Danburg Chair, House Committee on Elections

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