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Peter Lorenzetti
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Dear Mr. Lorenzetti:

The purpose of this letter is to request an examination of the exempt status of a 501(c)(3) entity, the Monroe Community Sports Centre Corporation (Employer ID Number 16-1546226), due to their political activities.

As you know, 501(c)(3) entities are prohibited from participating in political activities, including making contributions to political candidates. According to New York State Board of Election Records, and by admission of the President of the Sports Centre Board of Directors, more than \$12,000 in Sports Centre funds were donated to the campaign funds of three New York State Legislators. Please find the Board of Election records and related media reports enclosed herein. The media reports include comments from the President of the Sports Centre where he acknowledges the tax exempt entity made the contributions.

On behalf of the Democratic Caucus of the Monroe County Legislature, I respectfully request that your office conduct an investigation into these activities.

In advance, thank you for your consideration of this request. If you are in need of any further assistance or have any comments, questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my legislative office at 585-753-1940.

Sincerely,

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Democratic Minority Leader

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