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To the Fair Political Practices Commission,

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FPPC CASE NUMBER 15/1277

Respondent Ramirez for Senate 2013, Francisco Ramirez for Hanford City Council 2014, and Francisco Ramirez.

I am bringing to your attention the long history and pattern of willful and knowingly gross violations of the Political Reform Act by Mr. Francisco Ramirez.

Mr. Ramirez ran for public office five times since 2010 and in each campaign was advised by the Kings County Elections office, Hanford City Clerk, Fresno County Elections Office and the California Secretary of State of his reporting obligations and responsibilities. Mr. Ramirez decided to violate the laws by failing to report money and in kind contributions he received for each campaign, failed to open and maintain campaign bank accounts for each campaign, failed to disclose business interest and investments for each campaign, failing to report trips across the country and out of the country, failed to disclose mass mailings for each campaign, used City staff time for personal use and the list goes on. I have provided the Enforcement Division my complaint along with documents and photos in support of my complaint. Mr. Ramirez is a liar in all aspects of this complaint. He uses bully tactics, intimidation, and threats. Mr. Ramirez released an hour plus long video while under investigation by the FPPC Enforcement Division. Based on this video, Mr. Ramirez in my opinion, willfully and knowingly intimidated witnesses and obstructed justice. Mr. Ramirez perjured himself while giving testimony under oath to the Kings County Grand Jury. Since being Recalled earlier this year, Mr. Ramirez has been soliciting cash contributions under Ramirez for Hanford City Council 2018. Mr. Ramirez has not filed any of the required paperwork prior to August 2018.

I respectfully and pray that this Commission consider the totality of the allegations since 2010 and reject the agreed upon stipulation as it does not go far enough to address past violations and misconduct and curb future violations.

I respectfully request the Commission to forward this complaint to a probable cause hearing before an Administrative Judge so that all the facts can be presented in a fair and public hearing.

Danny Escobar.