PRESS RELEASE

Frederick M. Herrmann, Executive Director of the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), announced that the Commission at its meeting today certified $260,476.70 in public matching funds to Republican gubernatorial primary election candidate Jim Wallwork. Wallwork's application for public matching funds was filed with the Commission on April 5, 1993 and contained $210,938.35 in contributions eligible for match.

Herrmann explained that the first $59,000 of contributions submitted by a candidate is not matched. Therefore, if all contributions had been found eligible for match, Mr. Wallwork would have received $303,876.70 in 1993 gubernatorial primary election public matching funds. Contributions which were found to be ineligible for match for technical reasons by the Commission today may be resubmitted with clarification for match by the candidate on a later submission date. The next two submission dates are April 19 and April 26. Contributions may be declared ineligible for match for a variety of reasons including an incomplete contributor name or address, the need for clarification of the source of a contribution, and an unreadable contributor signature.

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In order to be qualified to receive public matching funds, Herrmann said that Mr. Wallwork submitted a signed agreement to participate in gubernatorial primary election debates and documented that a minimum of $177,000 in contributions of $1,800 or less was raised and spent for the 1993 primary election.

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