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PRESS RELEASE

Frederick M. Herrmann, Executive Director of the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), announced that at its public meeting today the Commission certified a total of \$376,502 in public matching funds to 1993 gubernatorial primary election candidate Cary Edwards.

Herrmann indicated that this submission for public matching funds was the third for Candidate Edwards and was filed on May 3, 1993. Candidate Edwards has already been certified to receive a total of \$1,223,498 in public matching funds on his two prior submissions. He has therefore now been certified to receive the \$1.6 million maximum in 1993 gubernatorial primary election public matching funds.

In order to be qualified to receive public matching funds, Herrmann said that Candidate Edwards was required to submit a signed agreement to participate in gubernatorial primary election debates and to document that a

minimum of \$177,000 in contributions of \$1,800 or less was raised and spent for the 1993 primary election.

Including today's certification, the Commission has certified a total of \$4,991,944.68 in public funds to 1993 gubernatorial primary election candidates as follows:

<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Prior</u> Certification(s)	This Certification	Total Public Funds Certified
Edwards (R) Florio(D) Wallwork (R) Whitman (R)	\$1,223,498.00 1,600,000.00 345,020.68 1,446,924.00 \$4,615,442.68	\$ 376,502.00 N/A N/A N/A \$ 376,502.00	\$1,600,000.00 * 1,600,000.00 * 345,020.68 1,446,924.00 \$4,991,944.68

^{*} Maximum public funds for 1993 primary election

The Commission will transmit today's certifications to the State Treasurer who, it is anticipated, will issue checks later this week. The checks will be deposited by the Commission in the candidates' public funds bank accounts and will be available for use immediately thereafter.