MEMORANDUM

Date: September 20, 2019

To: C. H. Huckelberry
    County Administrator

From: Brian Bickel, Chair
    Pima County Elections Integrity Commission

Re: Your Memorandum on the Pima County Elections Procedures Review Conducted by Republican Members of the Pima County Elections Integrity Commission

The above referenced memorandum gives, or certainly could give, the impression that the report was produced by or at the request of the Pima County Elections Integrity Commission. Nothing could be further from the truth.

At today’s meeting of the Commission, concern was expressed by members representing the Democratic and Green parties. There is currently no representative of the Libertarian Party. While the group may have made a number of relevant points they do not represent the consensus of the entirety of the Commission. In fact the actions of the group were unknown to the Commission until we were presented a copy with your memorandum attached.

Please know that the work product presented should be known going forward as a product of the Pima County Republican Party and not one conducted by the Republican Members of the Pima County Elections Integrity Commission.

You also indicated that you have invited the EIC to provide suggestions they have for legislative amendments to our current elections process. To date that invitation has not been received, either formally or informally.

c: The Honorable F. Ann Rodriguez, Pima County Recorder
    Chris Rhoades, Chief Deputy Recorder, Pima County Recorder’s Office
    John Voorhees, Assistant County Administrator
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Date: September 24, 2019

To: Brian Bickel, Chairman
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Re: Your September 20, 2019 Memorandum Regarding Elections Procedures Review
Conducted by Republican Members of the Pima County Elections Integrity
Commission

I appreciate your recent communication regarding my discussion with Republican members
of the Pima County Elections Integrity Commission (EIC). I clearly understood their report
was prepared by the present and past Republican members of the Commission. Hence, I
was aware of the potential for conflict. However, I have a policy that I will meet with anyone
to discuss any subject at their request.

I would be happy to meet and discuss this matter with other members of the EIC. In fact, I
would appreciate an invite to the EIC to discuss this and future policy discussions that will,
hopefully, not be directed in any particular partisan direction. There are always ways to
improve the integrity of our elections and I am willing to discuss such with you and the EIC.

I recently had a brief discussion with my appointment, Mr. Arnold Urken to discuss this and
many other topics. An issue that did arise is the fact that one-third of County voters who
choose not to affiliate with a party are left unrepresented by the EIC. Perhaps this is
something the EIC would like to discuss to determine how best to proceed.

Finally, I invite the EIC to make suggestions regarding Legislative amendments and initiatives
that would improve the integrity of the current election process and, in particular, review the
proposal I have received from the same individuals I met with to discuss their report.

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