STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95814-2329

May 26, 2022

Carmen Balber
Via email: carmen@consumerwatchdog.org

RE: FPPC Case No. 2022-00390; Ricardo Lara, Ricardo Lara for Insurance Commissioner 2022, LGBT Caucus Leadership Fund, Equality California Political Action Committee, Californians Supporting Ricardo Lara for Insurance Commissioner 2022

Dear Carmen Balber:

This letter is to notify you that the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission will investigate the allegation(s), under the jurisdiction of the Commission, of the sworn complaint you submitted in the above-referenced matter.

Pursuant to FPPC Regulation 18360, subsection (b)(1), the Enforcement Division may withhold notice of a complaint if the Enforcement Division Chief determines that disclosing the information may jeopardize the investigation. Pursuant to this regulation, the Enforcement Division did not previously notify the persons who the complaint was filed against. However, since the complaint has since been distributed publicly, we are no longer keeping the matter "confidential."

You will next receive notification from us upon final disposition of the case. However, please be advised that at this time we have not made any determination about the validity of the allegation(s) you have made or about the culpability, if any, of the person(s) you identify in your complaint. Thank you for taking the time to bring this matter to our attention. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Tara Stock at (916) 322-8241 or tstock@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Angela J. Brereton

Angela J. Brereton, Chief
Enforcement Division

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cc (with copy of complaint):
Richard Rios o/b/o Ricardo Lara for Insurance Commissioner 2022 and Ricardo Lara
LGBT Caucus Leadership Fund
Californians Supporting Ricardo Lara for Insurance Commissioner 2022
Equality California Political Action Committee