Greetings House Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for S.120 which would ban corporate money.

There is one fact to express how sick the public is of dark money in our campaigns: President Donald Trump sits in the White House.

If there is one common denominator among all walks of life to how outlandish that notion is, look no further than money in politics. This is evident whether you support Donald Trump or not. Remember the "he is not beholden to big money" mantra? The answer to a nationwide problem is simple: make it a level playing field. Let candidates - and parties - earn their seats based on merit rather than rhetoric or what advertisements they espouse.

Some have argued that there are loopholes to the law. I call them out and say that PACs are regulated and the same transparency exists, arguably with more repercussions than our current corporate finance system. Let them earn it, not dance their way into a seat attributed to conspiracy theories and fear mongering.

I'll spare you further lecture in this note. Had I the time to break away from work, I would make my impassioned appeal in person. So it is my hope that this note will be received with the same care as if I were sitting in each of your meetings. There is no more important legislation than the one facing you right now. Do this and you will make history. Legislate for ALL the people in the state, not just the ones whispering in your ears.

I thank you for your consideration and hope that this historical moment will come to reality soon.

Respectfully yours,

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