FROM THE DESK OF SENATOR VIN GOPAL

Sept. 6, 2018

Chairman Wyatt Earp Ocean County Democrats 340 US 9 Bayville, NJ 08721

Dear Chairman Earp,

As you know, I recently made a contribution of \$10,000 from my Senate account to support the Ocean County Democrats' 2018 campaign efforts. I am writing to ask for your consideration to not use any of that support, or support from any of your donors, towards the campaign of Freeholder candidate Teddy Price. Please use that financial support towards only electing Democrats at the municipal level this year.

Mr. Price's criminal history is deeply disturbing. Recent reports revealed Mr. Price, who recently endorsed Republican Senate Candidate Bob Hugin, was allegedly charged with resisting arrest, assault and battery of a police officer, interfering with police and disorderly conduct in 1981 after he allegedly got into a fight with officers outside of a bar. In a separate incident that same year, Mr. Price was allegedly charged with assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest and riding on parts of a car not intended for passengers.

It is unfortunate that Mr. Price is the Democratic Nominee for Ocean County Freeholder and I will not support him under any circumstances. The fact that US Senate candidate Bob Hugin accepted his endorsement is even more troubling. The public puts a great deal of trust in us as their representatives and deserve leadership they can be proud of. The people of Ocean County deserve better than Mr. Price and I urge you to utilize this funding to support candidates your residents can be proud of.

I implore you to utilize this donation solely to support local candidates. We must focus our efforts on developing strong leadership at the local level. Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Vin Gopal Senator