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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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Vice Chair Steven T. Walther has announced that he will be stepping down as Commissioner upon the nomination and confirmation of his replacement as Commissioner to the Federal Election Commission.

## The following statement is from Vice Chair Steven T. Walther:

I have been honored to serve as a Federal Election Commissioner since my recess appointment in 2006, and my appointment and confirmation in 2008, when I was sworn in by my personal friend, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg.

I am grateful that U.S. Senator Harry Reid recommended my appointment to President George W. Bush, and for having had the opportunity to have served as a Commissioner, including the opportunity to serve twice as the Chair. I have served as a politically independent Commissioner, and my departure affords the President the opportunity to fill that vacancy and reestablish the historic composition of the Commission to three Democrats and three Republicans.

I have enjoyed working with the extremely talented and dedicated staff at the Federal Election Commission. Their service to our country is invaluable and I am fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with them throughout the time I have served.

Finally, I have enjoyed working with my fellow Commissioners and despite numerous diverse points of view regarding the issues in front of us, it has been a pleasure to work together to find common ground whenever possible.

Sincerely

Vice Chair Steven T. Walther Federal Election Commission

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