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For many years I have been watching and advocating for various efforts to clean up election campaigns and election funding. The road is long and difficult, for a variety of reasons, but we have to make progress or our elections will degenerate into uncontrolled spending campaigns with unregulated attack ads and no accountability. I didn't write the rest of this message, but I agree with it!

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The US Supreme Court did enormous harm to our democratic processes in their Citizens United decision. This was a clear indicator to special interests groups that their dollars count more than the vote of the citizen.

Please use your current authority to enforce current laws to end this travesty.

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I suppose that the billions of additional dollars spent by the inordinately wealthy gets back into the economy because of the Supreme Court's ruling on Citizen's United. On the other hand intelligent public discourse on critical issues is buried under the flood of inflammatory and extremist views. Help stop this with, at the minimum, transparency and enforced disclosure!

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I have worked with both our local food bank and our local League of Women Voters Piedmont to register voters in California. It is so discouraging to hear comments over and over again across all economic spectrum about voter apathy. "My vote doesn't count," "big business rules our legislators," was what I heard. It is time to bring election practices out in the open! California has made some strides and their example needs to be followed on a national level.

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Furthermore, voter suppression, now a proudly proclaimed tactic in Republican circles, is Unamerican and must be curtailed. Republican presidents from Lincoln through Ford are spinning in their graves at the depths of depravity to which their once-honorable party has sunk.

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I am a citizen of Idaho, a very conservative state. But I believe that ending election funding corruption is key to preserving our Democracy.

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Ms. Mary Ellen Bittorf PO Box 1123 Pinetop, AZ 85935

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Help the little guy!!

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"We the People" of the United States are supposed to say who will represent us. It is one of my rights as a citizen. No matter what the Supreme Court has said, corporations are not people and their money should not be equated with free speech! You at least have the power to contol how their money is spent and reported. The Federal Election Commission must stop the dark money polluting our elections and the so-called "independent" spending by outside groups that is poisoning our political system.

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Do your duty and enforce the law. Otherwise the public will think you're afraid of the special interests that flout the law.

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Corporations are NOT people, and money is NOT speech!

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Many citizens are deeply discouraged by the Citizens United law that allows outside, non-trackable spending on elections. Many of us will work to overturn that law, but meanwhile there are legal steps that the FEC can take to safeguard our democratic election process. I believe the FEC MUST do all in its power to shine a light on "secret" PACs and clearly define what constitutes "coordination" between super PACs and candidates. These actions by the FEC will go a long way toward guaranteeing free and fair elections.

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As an American who is concerned about the corrupting effect of secret big money on elections, I write to urge the Federal Election Commission to stop the dark money that is polluting our elections and what is erroneously termed independent spending by outside groups that is poisoning our political system. The FEC has authority under existing law to require disclosure of election spending and to rigorously define "coordination" to prevent millions of dollars of special interest spending by outside groups that is not really "independent." I urge you to your duty and enforce the law.

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As an 84-year-old registered voter, I have been voting in every election since I was 21. I am totally bewildered by the lack of oversight by the FEC. . .money is the "root of all evil" and I do

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Government by the wealthy for the wealthy is not what Lincoln had in mind when he said "Government by the people for the people." The amount of \$\$\$ spent in campaigns is appalling. That money could be spent in much better ways than enriching the networks to bring us attack ads.

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Our country is in a crisis. As a university professor I see hugely increasing cynicism from students about government and democracy. They see voting as a useless activity because they don't matter. Unfortunately, they are right. They are also right in recognizing that big corporate money buys politicians. In more than three decades of teaching at several large public universities, I have never seen this level of disengagement.

Any action that increases transparency and reduces the sale of our democratic institutions to the wealthiest bidder might help to save our democracy.

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For the first time in my life I've feel like my votes don't count. And I suspect that my generous contributions to candidates are so puny relative to the big money out there that I'm just throwing away my money.

With a stacked Supreme Court, you are the only hope for those of us who want to save our nation's democracy. You can be the superheros who can help to save our county by restoring transparency and enforcing robust disclosure rules.

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Thank you for your attention to this vital matter.

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I am appalled and just want the Federal Election Commission to make the regulations So I and everyone else knows who is paying for the election ads! Also set the definition of "coordinating" between candidates and "outside" groups.

Our political system needs this to work right and be transparent to the voters.

The FEC has authority under existing law so get on with this!

Our American democracy depends on it.

Please reply and tell me what your schedule and progress is to achieve this. It needs to be soon. Until then you are failing the American public.

Make the rules and enforce them so you restore transparency and enforce disclosure rules that accurately state who paid and their relationship to any candidate.

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I am deeply concerned about what money is doing to corrupt our politics and its ability to diminish the voice of the typical citizen. The Federal Election Commission has the opportunity to use its regulatory power to do something about it. Below I outline several actions I recommend that the Federal Election Commission take.

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Please use your existing authority to restore transparency and enforce disclosure rules before our next general election cycle begins, that is NOW.

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But that huge sums of corporate money can pour into campaigns SECRETLY? That is shocking and antithetical to democracy.

Without knowing it, we are becoming a plutocracy, with moneyed interests pulling strings we can't even see.

Surely the FEC should insist on transparency.

Ordinary citizens can't get letters published in the newspaper anonymously. Why should big donors remain anonymous?

I urge you to extend transparency to all big gifts, no matter how deviously they are channeled.

From a concerned citizen and League of Women Voters member,

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Sincerely, Margaret F. Cohn

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Mary Ann Bucklan 512 Sugar Ridge Ct. Longwood, FL 32779

I am the Voter Services Chairperson for the League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson(LWVGT). I'm writing to voice my deep concern regarding our withering democracy. In Arizona, just 16% of voters elected our new governor. With one phone call, the governor-elect was able to raise over 3.5 million dollars which was the amount his opponent raised by making 2000 phone calls.

The League sponsored 5 forums for statewide positions - Attorney General, Governor, Sec. of State, Supt. of Public Instruction and the Arizona Corporation Commission this fall. We had to cancel the forums because half of the candidates refused to participate. Our conclusion was they felt they didn't need to meet with the public (those they represent) because their out of state advertizing was giving voters all the information they needed to know the candidate.

Having a group in Texas making an ad for Arizona candidates without even contacting the candidate or consulting with the candidate doesn't enhance the voting process or democracy. In fact, I think it enhances voter suppression. We don't know who the out of state corporations where who funded ads for our statewide candidates. If we could fine out, it might help voters make more informed decisions.

I've just read Long Walk to Freedom by Nelson Mandela over the Thanksgiving vacation. In someways I feel as if my voting rights have been taken away by our new system of 'if you have enough money you can buy the candidate'. As President Obama likes to say, 'this is not who are are!'

In January the LWVGT will meet to discuss dark money and how it has effected out voting process. Is Democracy of Sale? and Can the Voters Afford It.....

The FEC can do something about this and must act now.

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You can improve the system (at least somewhat), by enforcing various existing election laws.

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Yes, what follows is a "canned" League of Women Voters letter but a good one. We had a local editorial in the newspaper (Merced CA) today noting that the FEC is soliciting public comments . . . but that the website is so difficult to navigate that most people won't be able to comment. Fortunately for me, the League of Women Voters has the link on its website . . . but, again, who would know except League members? I fear what you hear will not really represent the feelings of the public, which are simple: free speech is great . . . you just have to know who's doing the speaking!!!!! And that's what transparency is all about!

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JANICE HOFFMAN pob 8353, las cruces nm 88006 LAS CRUCES, NM 88006

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It is imperative that the voting citizenry know who is funding what in order to cast informed votes for the betterment of our democracy.

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THE QUESTION IS WHETHER FREE SPEECH IS OPEN SPEECH? I THINK DEMOCRACY DEMANDS IT. JOAN ELSNER DELRAY BEACH, FL

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Ma. Marilee SCHOLL 7070 Bucktown Lane Vacaville, CA 95688

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