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Dear Susan and Heather:

Thank you for the detailed letter I received from you today in regards to suggested improvements with the Campaign Finance Information System (CFIS) lobbyist public search utility. I appreciate the time, thought, and research you have put into preparing suggestions on how our office could enhance disclosure and transparency with the data we collect. Your research has saved us time and, more importantly, has validated some similar feedback we have received from other entities on how we can make our website more useful for our constituents.

As a direct result of input we have received from you and others, we have entered into a contract with our system vendor and are in the process of working on system improvements to CFIS. These improvements should address the suggestions outlined in your letter not only as it relates to lobbyists but also as it relates to candidates and political committees. We have always been very amenable to running custom data downloads for constituents upon request, however, improving the self-service component of the website should be a time saver for both our busy staff and our data consumers.

Once ready for testing, we look forward to providing you with a demonstration of the enhanced functionality of our system and appreciate your continued and ongoing feedback.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kari Fresquez".

Kari Fresquez  
Interim Elections Director/  
Chief Information Officer