

**Written Statement from Christine Seketa, Ward Candidate, 2022 Municipal Election
on behalf of Annie Seketa, Contributor**

Committee Date: June 16, 2023

To the Chair and Members of the Election Audit Compliance Committee Meeting,

1. My name is Christine Seketa and I make this statement in support of Annie Seketa, who is my mother. This written statement is true and to the best of my knowledge and belief. I submit this statement on her behalf in her absence and my absence out of country on the committee date.
2. Last August 16, 2022, I registered as a candidate for councilor in the City of Hamilton. My campaign was primarily self-funded and well below my contributions from myself and my spouse. To support her daughter, Annie Seketa had offered to donate toward my campaign, the maximum allowed of \$1,200. It is her first and only contribution to a municipal campaign. She was made aware and understood, and I accepted her one-time contribution. I was and remain accountable for her.
3. On the final day within the last hour 2 p.m. deadline, I had completed in hand-written form in my financial statement and then filed my election financing statements in person on March 31, 2023, accepted at 1:18pm. In my haste, I had mistaken a 5 for 2 in the contribution amount line.
4. It is entirely my clerical error for the correct amount of \$1,200 in accounting. This is the true and actual amount from my sole contributor, even from a family member, and my mother toward my self-funded campaign.
5. I respectfully request that the compliance audit committee decide that Annie Seketa did not contravene as per Section 88.9 (1) of the Act. I also request that the Audit Compliance Committee accept the clerical error identified in my filed financial statement, and if necessary, an extension until September 28, 2023, to withdraw and submit my statement with the corrected \$1,200 for my only contributor.