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Senior Citizens Activities, Inc., the West Bend Senior Center, Issues Clarification of Political Endorsement Policy

West Bend: Senior Citizens Activities, Inc. wishes to clarify and confirm its position on political candidates in light of a letter from its past President to a group of area West Bend residents in support of Joel Ongert for Mayor. Said letter was not in any way prepared by, encouraged by, or accepted by Senior Citizens Activities, Inc. The past President's letter is a personal endorsement and not an endorsement from the organization itself. Furthermore, the letter in question was written at a time when the past President was not a director nor officer of the organization. Senior Citizens Activities, Inc. does not, will not, and cannot engage in any political activity or support any candidate for public office. Senior Citizens Activities, Inc. has no stance whatsoever on Joel Ongert's or any political candidate's fitness or suitability for public office.

As stated in the organization's bylaws, the purpose and mission of the organization is to operate a senior center in order to improve the lives of seniors through caring service with opportunities for social interaction, recreation, health and wellness, education, volunteerism, and community involvement. The organization shall not carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation. Furthermore, the organization shall not in any manner or to any extent participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Senior Citizens Activities, Inc. remains committed to its mission of improving the lives of seniors through caring service and opportunities for social interaction, recreation, health and wellness, education, volunteerism, and community involvement. The organization will continue to provide its valuable services to seniors without engaging in any political activity.

For more information about Senior Citizens Activities, Inc., please visit our website at www.seniorcitizensactivities.org.

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