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To whom it may concern:

It is abundantly clear that in order to actually have a democracy we need to have campaign finance reform at every level of government. The amount of corruption we have been seeing lately in the county, state and federal governments cannot be allowed to continue. For these reasons we are hoping that the CISC will embrace and recommend to the incoming 2023 legislature and to our new governor all 5 of the below reforms:

***The full public funding for all State and County elections in Hawai'i.**

***Banning the solicitation or acceptance of campaign donations during the legislative session.**

***Reducing the cap on campaign donations** from from \$6,000, \$4,000 and \$2,000 to \$100, \$100, and \$100. Montana caps their maximum donation for state legislative races at \$180 per election.

***Banning contributions from corporations and unions** as 21 other states now do.

***Limit candidate campaign war chests.** This is done in Alaska where candidates can only carry forward a small portion of their campaign account from one election to the next. This law was upheld by the Alaska Supreme Court which noted that when a candidate who is unopposed raises money and squirrels it away for a future election, they are effectively circumventing donation limits for that future election.

Mahalo for your time and consideration of these suggestions.

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