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Memorandum

To: Interested Parties

From: Jared Mitchell, Campaign Manager John Ward for Congress

Re: Michael Waltz's Latest Lie

Michael Waltz's latest campaign ad is full of more lies about himself and John Ward.

Waltz says he's "pro Trump." But in 2016, during the presidential primaries, he appeared in a political ad to tell people to "stop Trump now." We can't forget what Michael Waltz said on-camera:

I'm Lieutenant Colonel Michael Waltz. I've served multiple tours in Afghanistan as a special forces commander. Donald Trump hasn't served this country a day in his life. Essentially dodged the draft in Vietnam through multiple deferments. He's been fed through a silver spoon. Went to boarding school. Says it was so tough he felt like he was in the military. All Donald Trump has served is himself. Don't let Trump fool you. Look into his real record and stop Trump now.

(Michael Waltz's "Stop Trump Now" ad can be viewed at <u>https://archive.org/details/PolAd_DonaldTrump_txrm8</u>.)

Michael Waltz follows this lie about himself with lies about John Ward. Waltz claims that Ward "stands with Obama and Clinton" and "supports liberal policies" like "more gun control, taxpayer funded abortions, and sanctuary cities for illegal immigrants."

There is no truth whatsoever to Waltz's desperate claims. Here's the truth.

John Ward on the Second Amendment:

The right to bear arms is an American fundamental. John is a gun owner himself and is a strong supporter of both the 2nd Amendment and the NRA. John has earned an "Aq" rating from the NRA, the best rating given to first time candidates. He supports open carry in Florida and concealed carry reciprocity among states. John does not support the idea of a national firearm registry or a ban on semi-automatic firearms, their magazines or ammunition. He believes that guns don't kill or injure, people do. To that end, he supports stiff penalties and tough sentencing for criminals using firearms in the commission of a crime. John believes weapons enhancements like "bump-stocks" should be regulated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, & Firearms in accordance with their current set of regulations.

John Ward on taxpayer funded abortions:

John believes every free and moral society should be encouraging a culture that supports the formation of strong families and life. John opposes providing tax payer monies to organizations like Planned Parenthood whose principal business is the termination of pregnancies.

John Ward on border security:

The immigration issue is key to national security. John supports the enforcement of the immigration laws currently on the books. He supports the President's proposal for a wall along the southern border of the United States understanding that the wall can be both a physical wall and one created by the use of drones, remote sensing technologies, and other overhead systems applied in geographically difficult areas. John is a strong proponent of immediately deporting any illegal immigrant who breaks the law, no exceptions.

As the election approaches, Michael Waltz will continue to lie about his own record. And he will lie about John Ward. And Michael Waltz will also hide key details about his record from the voters of the 6th district by continuing to fail to make his required federal candidate financial disclosure. We are confident, however, that the voters will see through Waltz's lies and campaign tricks, and know a phony when they see one.