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OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT

Review No. 19-4049

The Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics (hereafter "the Board"), by a vote of no less than four members, on August 9, 2019, adopted the following report and ordered it to be transmitted to the Committee on Ethics of the United States House of Representatives (hereafter "the Committee").

SUBJECT: Representative Ross Spano

NATURE OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION: Rep. Spano may have received improper loans to support his election to the House of Representatives. The amount of the loans may have exceeded federal campaign contribution limits. If the loans exceeded federal campaign contribution limits, then Rep. Spano may have violated House rules and federal law.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board recommends that the Committee further review the above allegation concerning Rep. Spano because there is substantial reason to believe that Rep. Spano received improper loans, in excess of federal campaign contribution limits, to support his election to the House of Representatives.

VOTES IN THE AFFIRMATIVE: 5

VOTES IN THE NEGATIVE: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OR STAFF DESIGNATED TO PRESENT THIS REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS: Omar S. Ashmawy, Staff Director & Chief Counsel.