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This cover letter is in regard to the general conditions and purposes in which this complaint has submitted regarding the actions and conduct of the Itasca Independent School District and board members located in Hill County, Texas. Due to the lack of cooperation and transparency regarding matters of great importance as been demonstrated by the district, its serving board members, and administrators over a period of time starting in 2020 to present this complaint has been assembled and submitted.

The taxpayers of Hill County Texas are seeking relief from the court(s) and US Justice Department from wrongful and willing financial harm resulting from what are believed to be deliberate and fraudulent and deceptive practices based on the public record. These complaints involve actions and decisions made by the board of trustees relevant to "Green Energy" contracts totaling \$5.2 billion dollars without input or a vote from taxpayers in the district as well as the financial conduct regarding the annual budget, bond payment history and failure to retire outstanding bond debt(s), information published in the District's Annual Financial Reports for 2023 and 2024, and a contract with an Energy Conservation Company executed by the district that violated statutes in the Texas Education Agency Code Chapter 44.01.

The issues surrounding these contracts have long lasting consequences for taxpayers and have raised questions pertaining to legality and authority of school districts to enter into contracts of this nature, scope, and cost without the taxpayer's involvement. There also serious issues surrounding the data and information submitted in the application filed with the State Comptroller's Office of Texas. It is believed the financial information disclosed is inaccurate and has multiple areas in conflict with state and federal laws pertaining to rules of the Internal Revenue Service.

As a result of the decisions made by the board of trustees and district administrators the districts financial status and health is in jeopardy. The districts inability to retire bond debt(s) since 2014 has been questioned because of the perceived benefit(s) from (3) Chapter 313 Agreements. The benefit of these contracts is not apparent or understood by taxpayers within the Itasca ISD taxing jurisdiction. The district has recently voted to put forth a \$34,000,000.00 dollar bond referendum that will increase the debt burden to taxpayers by over 400 percent. Due to economic conditions and the already high property taxes that are a burden to the public taxpayers are requesting intervention and investigation by the US Justice Department of the United States.

The citizens of Itasca, Texas in Hill County have exercised an abundance of time, energy, and personal cost to mitigate these matters using all available avenues and resources at our disposal. Elected leaders in the State of Texas have failed to respond and to stop what has been allowed to go on for too long and has impacted taxpayers and

homeowners with irrevocable harm and loss of wealth, homes and property while subsidizing the "Green Energy" industry on the backs of taxpayers.

It is the prayer of the taxpayers of Itasca, Texas that justice will be served and the rights and privileges of citizens of Texas as granted in the US Constitution will be restored to the fullest extent as enumerated in the US Constitution of the United States of America.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Mashburn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "M".

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