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June 5, 2023

Consider this communication a formal request to the leadership and staff at Fox 32 News Chicago to address its conflict of interest and continuous racial and misogynistic targeted coverage of myself, the Village of Dolton, Thornton Township, and all agencies I represent as a public official. It is no coincidence that Fox 32 investigative journalist Tia Ewing-Walker, wife of Early Walker, has used her influence as a journalist to convince staff members at your network to engage in a malicious smear campaign against me and my staff to discredit the positive work we do here in the south suburbs, as a means to assist her husband as we engage in a custody dispute over our child (Ms. Ewing's step daughter). By allowing Ms. Ewing and others journalist like Dane Placko to print, cover and produce knowingly false and defamatory accusations toward myself and the countless members of my staff in a blatantly erroneous manner, you are subjecting Fox 32 Chicago, its networks, and other media sources to liability. This behavior also violates ethical standards Fox 32 Chicago has been known to uphold. Furthermore, if you continue to purposely produce biased and non-factual content about me, I will use whatever resources at my disposal to ensure the public is aware of this conflict of interest and Fox32's failure to address it.

Given Ms Ewing and Mr. Placko's interest in our community, I thought I should mention that Thornton Township was just awarded the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. I believe this and other relevant information was left out as none of these topics would help Ms. Ewing's husband in his legal dispute with me, so they remain uncovered by your station.

Should Fox 32 Chicago or its affiliated like to discuss how they can work with my office to cover the many positive programs, services, developments, initiatives and community events that both the Village of Dolton and Thornton Township are proud to promote feel free to reach out to Keith Freeman at 708-549-2625.

I look forward to your response on resolving this conflict and how we can work together to focus on the issues our residents consider a priority. If your response does not adequately resolve the issue in a timely manner, I plan on releasing the contents of this letter to the public.

Sincerely,

Tiffany A. Henyard,

Supervisor, Thornton Township