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## INDEPENDENT SPENDING EXCEEDS \$1.5 MILLION IN MAYOR'S RACE

Today, independent spending surpassed \$1.5 million in the race for the next mayor of Los Angeles. Four organizations are responsible for this spending:

- Working Californians to Elect Wendy Greuel for Mayor 2013, which has spent \$825,705 to support Wendy Greuel;
- Better Way LA PAC to Support Kevin James for Mayor, 2013, which has spent \$487,734 to support Kevin James;
- California Law and Order Independent Expenditure Committee Sponsored by the Los Angeles Police Protective League, which has spent \$331,813 to support Wendy Greuel; and
- Valley-Westside Committee for a Greater Los Angeles, which has spent \$6,938 to support Jan Perry.

Independent expenditures are expenditures made for communications that support or oppose candidates or ballot measures but are not coordinated with or authorized by a candidate. Currently, independent expenditures must be reported to the Ethics Commission within 24 hours of being made.

The primary election in the mayoral race and other City and Los Angeles Unified School District races will be held March 5, 2013. For additional information about independent spending in these elections, please visit ethics.lacity.org or contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960.

The City Ethics Commission was created by Los Angeles voters in 1990 to impartially administer and enforce the City's governmental ethics, campaign financing, and lobbying laws.