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DIVISION OF SOCIAL JUSTICE CHARITIES BUREAU

September 30, 2016

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BY ELECTRONIC MAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re:

The Donald J. Trump Foundation

EPTL # 04-28-01

## **NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Donald J. Trump Foundation ("Trump Foundation") is in violation of section 172 of Article 7-A New York's Executive Law, which requires charitable organizations that solicit contributions in New York State to register with the Charities Bureau and to provide annual financial reports and annual audited financial statements. Based on information received by the Charities Bureau to date, the Trump Foundation was engaged in solicitation or fundraising activities in New York State in 2016, is not and was not registered with the Charities Bureau pursuant to Article 7-A, and was thus not permitted to engage in such activity during this period.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the Trump Foundation must immediately cease soliciting contributions or engaging in any other fundraising activities in New York. Further, the Trump Foundation must notify any third parties engaged in solicitation or fundraising activities in New York on its behalf to immediately cease any such activities.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT, pursuant to sections 172(a)-(j), 172(7) and 174(4) of the Executive Law, the Trump Foundation must provide the Charities Bureau with the information specified in section 172 within fifteen (15) days of this notice. To the extent that the Trump Foundation has engaged in solicitation or fundraising activity in New York in other years, the Trump Foundation must file all delinquent financial reports as required by section 172-b for such years within fifteen (15) days of this notice. The failure immediately to

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discontinue solicitation and to file information and reports required under Article 7-A with the Charities Bureau shall be deemed to be a continuing fraud upon the people of the state of New York.

All forms must be properly certified, complete and accurate. Any person who swears falsely to any document required by Article 7-A of the Executive Law to be signed under penalties for perjury may be guilty of a crime under the New York Penal Code.

Forms and information regarding registration and annual filing obligations are available online at <a href="https://www.CharitiesNYS.com">www.CharitiesNYS.com</a>. Previous filings may be found by searching the Charities Registry on our site.

If you have any questions concerning this notice, you may contact me at (212) 416-8490, or at <u>james.sheehan@ag.ny.gov</u>. Please address any correspondence, including any filings pursuant to this notice, to my attention, and include a copy of this letter.

Sincerely,

James Sheehan Jyr James G. Sheehan