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STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN AND RANKING MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS REGARDING REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS JACOBS

Pursuant to Committee Rule 7, the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ethics (Committee) determined to release the following statement:

On February 28, 2022, the Committee received a referral from the Office of Congressional Ethics (OCE) regarding Representative Chris Jacobs. In its referral, OCE did not make a recommendation regarding the allegations because of a tie vote of the OCE Board. In order to gather additional information necessary to complete its review, the Committee will review the matter pursuant to Committee Rule 18(a). The Committee notes that the mere fact of conducting further review of a referral, and any mandatory disclosure of such further review, does not itself indicate that any violation has occurred, or reflect any judgment on behalf of the Committee.

In order to comply with Committee Rule 7 regarding confidentiality, out of fairness to all respondents, and to assure the integrity of its work, the Committee will refrain from making further public statements on this matter pending completion of its initial review.

Pursuant to Committee Rule 17A, the Committee hereby publishes OCE's Report relating to allegations against Representative Jacobs and Representative Jacobs' submission to the Committee. OCE did not transmit findings to the Committee in this matter, so no findings are published.

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