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## Via Email

Hon. Steve Montenegro, Speaker of the House Hon. Michael Carbone, Majority Leader Hon. Julie Willoughby, Majority Whip Hon. Neal Carter, Speaker Pro Tempore Arizona House of Representatives 1700 W. Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

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Dear House Majority Leadership:

I have received your request for an investigation of the Isaac School District. I was disappointed to see that your letter grossly mischaracterized my statements on *Sunday Square Off*, inaccurately suggesting that I defended the school district's actions.

During that interview I was asked if a possible crime had been committed, and I stated: "So far, it looks like it's mismanagement," and added, "If we see any evidence of embezzlement or anything like that, of course we would investigate." (See <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XBiOPiNqkTk&list=PLDWDKoBbuKNdH4kKFh7-</u> <u>w6BhAO2p-ykSP&index=3</u>, at 8:30.) These remarks are the exact opposite of the claim in your letter that I had "no intention of investigating this school district."

My office will review the materials referenced in your letter and determine whether they warrant an investigation, based on the facts and the law, as we always do.

And I respectfully request that, in the future, you refrain from misleading the public with inaccurate statements. Such misrepresentations are beneath the offices you hold.

Sincerely,

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Kris Mayes Arizona Attorney General