July 25, 2018

Mr. Robert Rapoza, ED

Rhode Island Board of Elections

50 Branch Avenue

Providence, RI 02904

To the Rhode Island Board of Elections,

Please accept this document as my formal complaint of voter fraud against Mr. Oscar O. Vargas and Mrs. Claudia M. Vargas. The evidence I have gathered indicates that Mr. Vargas does not live in the city of Providence, where he has been voting for the past twelve years; rather, it shows he lives in the city of Warwick with his wife Claudia and his children.

Mr. Oscar O. Vargas owns a home at 63 Irving Road in Warwick. Mr. Vargas has co-owned the home with his wife, Mrs. Claudia Vargas, since 2006. According to documents obtained from the Rhode Island Secretary of State, Mr. Oscar Vargas has been registered to vote at 150 Dora Street since May 2006. Records also indicate that Mr. Vargas voted in the 2012, 2014 and 2016 primary and general elections from 150 Dora Street.

Last week, at a residency hearing held by the Board of Canvassers, Mr. Oscar Vargas testified under oath on a multitude of issues. His testimony, when held alongside the documentation attached to this complaint, reveals voter fraud by every voter registered at 150 Dora Street in the past ten years and a pattern of lies related to Oscar’s residency in the city of Providence. The discrepancies in logic include the following:

* Oscar Vargas purchased a single-family home located at 63 Irving Road in Warwick in 2006 but claims to have never personally lived there. Instead, he claims that his wife has lived there alone with their mutual children. To explain this arrangement, Oscar Vargas testified under oath that he and his wife separated eight years ago.
* In a Facebook profile created in 2011, under the name “Vargas Oscar” Oscar states that he “Lives in Warwick” and that he married his wife Claudia in 2012, two years after he claims they separated. I contend that 150 Dora Street was used as rental property and that Oscar and Claudia Vargas have lived with their children in Warwick since 2006.
* On September 9, 2000 Mrs. Claudia Vargas registered to vote at 150 Dora Street. Mrs. Claudia M. Vargas, Oscar’s wife, has voted from 150 Dora Street in Providence in the 2012, 2014 and 2016 election cycles. Mr. Oscar Vargas, under oath, told the Providence Board of Canvassers that he and Mrs. Claudia Vargas have been separated for the last eight years and Mrs. Claudia Vargas has lived at 63 Irving Road in Warwick. A few days before my complaint was filed with the Providence Board of Canvassers, Claudia changed her voting address to 63 Irving Road in Warwick. I contend that this is a case of voter fraud engineered by Oscar Vargas for the sole purpose of gaining political favor in the city of Providence, where he owns a business.
* On August 4, 2016, Mr. Byron Lemus registered to vote, giving the address of 150 Dora Street. However, in a letter produced by Mr. Oscar Vargas’ attorney, an employee of the Park View Center nursing home wrote that Mr. Lemus has been living at Park View Center since May 27, 2016. Mr. Byron Lemus subsequently voted in the September 2016 Democratic Primary, which was the only election that he has participated in in his entire life. Since Mr. Lemus was not living at 150 Dora Street in August of 2016 he never should have registered to vote at that address. I contend that this is a case of voter fraud engineered by Oscar Vargas for the sole purpose of gaining political favor in the city of Providence, where he owns a business.
* On May 7, 2018, Mr. Oscar Vargas’ daughter registered to vote from 150 Dora Street. However, during the month of May, Ms. Vargas was finishing her senior year of high school in the City of Warwick. For Ms. Vargas to attend Warwick Public Schools, she would have had to be living in Warwick at her parents’ home on Irving Road. Since Ms. Vargas was not living at 150 Dora Street in May of 2018 she should never have registered to vote at that address. I contend that this is a case of fraudulent voter registration engineered by Oscar Vargas for the sole purpose of gaining political favor in the city of Providence, where he owns a business.
* Last week, at a residency hearing held by the Providence Board of Canvassers, Mr. Oscar Vargas testified under oath that he and his wife have been separated for eight years. However, they have never been divorced and they are frequently seen together in public and in pictures on social media. I believe this assertion of separation is a fraud, the purpose of which being so that Mr. Vargas can run for elected office in Providence while his children continue to attend Warwick Public Schools.

All these matters demonstrate a clear pattern of willful criminal behavior in the form of voter manipulation and voter fraud organized by Mr. Oscar Vargas for personal gain. While each of the cases above is a separate instance of voter manipulation, the common denominator is that they all occurred under one roof. This is not by accident, nor is it a coincidence. The RI Board of Elections should use its authority to fully investigate these matters.

Sincerely,

Sabina Matos