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May 14, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Nina Themelis
Mayor's Office of Government Relations
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: COVID-19 Response Efforts

Dear Ms. Themelis:

At its May 13, 2020 meeting, the Ethics Board (the "Board") approved your Application dated April 27, 2020 to solicit sponsors in support of the above-referenced solicitation campaign. This approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. ***In general.*** The campaign must be conducted in accordance with the standards, terms, and conditions set forth in Board Regulation 06.26.1 and your Application. It is important to note that this approval should not be considered a plenary waiver for any matter relating to COVID-19. Your campaign is strictly limited to the purposes set forth in Part B, Section II of your Application. Should you need to solicit funds for items outside of the scope of your Application, you are advised to submit another request.
2. ***Reports.***
 - i. A Final Report (due within 30 days after all solicitations and receipt of all anticipated donations) must be filed with the Ethics Board on Ethics Form 627.
 - ii. Because you stated that you intend to solicit "\$500,000 or more," you are required to submit an Interim Report **every 3 months** from May 1, 2020.
3. ***Expiration.*** This approval expires on the date set forth in your Application, December 31, 2020. After that date, a new Application will be required for any further solicitation efforts. **NOTE: A new Application for additional solicitation efforts cannot be considered complete and cannot be approved unless all Reports then due under this approval have been completed and filed with the Ethics Board.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Very truly yours,

Tony DeFranco
Deputy Director, Ethics Board