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BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ETHICS

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Via Electronic Mail

Maggie Master, Chief of Staff
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Re: 2025 Summer Field Trips Charitable/Governmental Gift Solicitation Waiver

Dear Chief. Master,

At its April 9, 2025 public meeting, the Ethics Board ("Board") approved your application to solicit and accept donations in support of 2025 Summer Field Trips. The Board's approval is contingent on the application's endorsement by the Board of Estimates.

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 your application and in Board Regulation 06.26.1, attached for your reference.
- 2) Of specific importance, please note that all solicitations must be directed at a broad range of potential donors, must not specially target controlled donors, and must be conducted so as to avoid any suggestion that contributors might receive special access or favored treatment from any City agency or official. See R 06.26.1.
 - a. To comply with the requirements above, the Board recommends that you use uniform solicitation material that includes a written disclaimer along the following lines: "Important: Your contribution will in no way result in special access or favored treatment from any City agency or official."
- 3) *Reports.*
 - a. A Final, Cumulative 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.

An Interim Report is due in three months, on July 9, 2025, based on your application's stated aggregate value of donations being sought ("\$150,000 between \$500,000").

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- 4) *Expiration.* This approval expires on the date set forth in your application, August 30, 2025. After that date, a new application will be required for any further solicitation efforts.

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

Sincerely,

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Ethics Officer, Ethics Board