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BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ETHICS

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Joshua Thomson, Chief of Staff
Office of Councilmember Zeke Cohen
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Re: Closing the Digital Divide Governmental/Charitable Solicitation Application

Dear Mr. Thomson:

At its November 10, 2020 public meeting, the Ethics Board ("Board") formally approved your Application dated August 19, 2020 to solicit sponsors in support of the "Closing the Digital Divide" 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.
- 2) *Reports.*
 - a. 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.
 - b. Interim Reports will be due **every 3 months**, based on your Application's stated aggregated value of donations being sought ("\$500,000 or more"). Please submit your first report 3 months from the date you begin soliciting donations.
- 3) *Expiration.* This approval expires on the date set forth in your Application, August 31, 2021. After that date, a new Application will be required for any further solicitation efforts.

NOTE: A new Application for additional solicitation efforts will not be considered complete and will not 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JH' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jeffrey Hochstetler
Director, Ethics Board

Cc: Ann Coy (ann.coy@baltimorecity.gov)