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BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF ETHICS

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Via Electronic Mail

Kristerfer Burnett, Councilman
Office of Councilmember Kristerfer Burnett
100 Holliday Street.
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Re: Local Progress Impact Lab Charitable/Governmental Gift Solicitation Waiver

Dear Councilman Burnett,

At its October 9, 2024, public meeting, the Ethics Board ("Board") approved your application to solicit donations in support of the Local Progress Impact Lab. Approval is contingent on the application's endorsement by the Board of Estimates. *See* R 06.26.1(B)(2). Please refrain from soliciting donations until you have obtained that endorsement.

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 specifically 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) Provide information on:
 - a. what plans and contingencies there are on the disposal of any surplus funds raised;
 - b. who will be providing the required reports, as well as an
 - c. assurance that reporting will be adequate,

within the weeks prior to the next Ethics Board meeting on November 13, 2024.

4) 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.
- 5) *Expiration*. This approval expires on the date set forth in your application, December 6, 2024. After that date, a new application will be required for any further solicitation efforts.

If you have any questions, please contact Ethics Board staff at ethics@baltimorecity.gov or 410-396-7986.

Sincerely,

Nayshonn Bond,

Ethics Officer, Ethics Board

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