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MEMORANDUM

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Dorothy J. Eng  
Executive Director

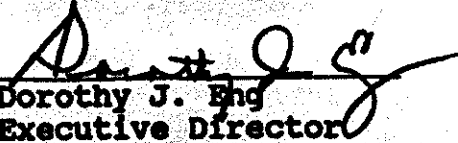
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To: [Redacted]

From:   
Dorothy J. Eng  
Executive Director

Re: City Employees Selling Tickets to  
Fundraisers  
Case No. 91048.A

Date: 17 April, 1991

On April 3, 1991 we received your memorandum asking whether, under the Governmental Ethics Ordinance, a City employee who also works on a volunteer basis for a private organization could sell tickets to a fundraiser for that organization to City employees. Based on the facts as presented to us we see no problem with this activity, subject to the proviso outlined below. We appreciate your bringing this matter to our attention and your willingness to abide by the ethical standards embodied in the Ordinance.

In your memorandum to us you explained that an employee of COMMISSION M [Redacted] is also serving in a non-salaried POSITION [Redacted] for a local radio program. Each year the station which airs this program holds a fundraising dinner, for which they sell tickets at \$25.00 each. The event is a popular one among City employees and many City officials purchase these tickets. In our phone conversation of April 3, 1991 you indicated that, contrary to the information provided your the memorandum, you have no knowledge of City funds being used to purchase these tickets.

As discussed in our telephone conversation, there is no provision of the Ordinance which speaks to the selling of tickets by City employees for



private, non-political organizations. Please be advised, however, that while such activity is not prohibited under the Ethics Ordinance, there may be a departmental rule or personnel rule which governs the conduct of an employee with regard to the sale of tickets to other employees.

Thank you again for bringing this matter to our attention. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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