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LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY
ETHICS COMMISSION

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MAYOR

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**LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY
METRO GOVERNMENT ETHICS COMMISSION
REQUEST FOR AN OPINION 10-C-004**

Authority granted by the Ordinance

The Ethics Ordinance vests in this body the sole authority to determine whether a Metro Officer has violated any of its provisions.

Note: Metro Council approved the Ethics Ordinance revision unanimously on March 11, 2010 and by the Mayor on March 25, 2010.

Background information of the request

On June 9, 2010, Councilman Stuart Benson submitted a request for an Advisory Opinion concerning whether it would be a violation of the Ethics Ordinance to accept (2) Air Tran Airline tickets, provided gratis, as a result of a random drawing at a GLIDE Conference he attended in Pittsburgh, PA. Councilman Benson's name was entered, along with the other attendees, into the drawing. The tickets are valued at approximately \$500

Applicable Rules

As written in 21.02 STANDARDS OF CONDUCT Section (B) and (E)

Ethics Commission Discussion

After discussing the specifics of this request, the Ethics Commission members found no violation of accepting the airline tickets as a result of the random drawing.

Larry Grant
Acting Chair
Metro Louisville/Jefferson County Ethics Commission