FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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July 11, 2011

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Warning Letter Re: FPPC No. 11/393; Ho Ho, Respondent

Dear Mr. Ho:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act"),[1] found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a pro-active investigation begun against you by the FPPC that alleged that as a Portfolio Manager for the California Public Employees Retirement System, you failed to report the receipt of gifts on your 2007 and 2009 Annual Statements of Economic Interests ("SEIs").

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you failed to report a gift of a dinner from Ermitage totaling $53.57 in 2007 and lunches totaling $64.98 in 2009.

The Act provides that for gifts that aggregate $50.00 or more in value from a single source, a public official must disclose the name and address of each source of the gift; the amount of the gift and the date on which the gift(s) was received. (Section 87207.)

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to timely report the gifts noted above on your 2007 and 2009 Annual SEIs. However, since you filed amendments to report the gifts and the gifts received were not much over the $50 reporting threshold, we are closing our file on this matter.

This letter serves as a written warning. The information in this matter will be retained and may be considered should an enforcement action become necessary based on newly

[1] The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18109 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

discovered information or future conduct. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act in the future will result in monetary penalties of up to $5,000 for each violation.

A warning letter is an FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. However, the warning letter resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause hearing or hearing before an Administrative Law Judge or the Fair Political Practices Commission. If you wish to avail yourself of these proceedings by requesting that your case proceed with prosecution rather than a warning, please notify us within ten (10) days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of this case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

Please feel free to contact Adrianne Korchmaros at 916.322.5662 with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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Gary S. Winuk, Chief
Enforcement Division

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