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FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
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Karen Hardy
Via email: khardy@santaclaraca.gov

Raj Chahal
Via email: rchahal@santaclaraca.gov

No Action Closure Letter re: FPPC No. 2022-00561; Karen Hardy and Raj Chahal

Dear Karen Hardy and Raj Chahal:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the “Act”).¹ This letter is in response to a sworn complaint that alleged you violated the Act’s gift provisions by accepting a gift over the \$520 limit in the form of tickets to a San Francisco 49ers football game at Levi’s Stadium in Santa Clara, CA.

After our investigation and review of the case, the Enforcement Division has found insufficient evidence that a violation occurred. The purpose of the visit to Levi’s Stadium was to better inform Hardy and Chahal in their role as Levi’s Stadium Authority Board Members to further their understanding of security operations, logistics, parking, and overall game day operations. No transportation was provided to them, they were accompanied by Levi’s Stadium staff during the entirety of the tour, and one bottle of water was given to each of them. Hardy and Chahal started the operational tour before the start of the NFL game and ended the tour post-game after observing the post-game sweep of the stadium area from both cleaning and safety perspectives. Therefore, we are closing this matter without further action.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at 916-322-5771 or abreron@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Angela J. Brereton

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Assistant Chief
Enforcement Division

Cc: Brian Doyle [REDACTED] (Sworn Complainant)

¹ The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18104 through 18998 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.