

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE TRAVEL AND BUSINESS EXPENSE POLICY REGARDING PROFESSIONAL-RELATED BUSINESS EXPENSES TO INCLUDE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT EXPENSES

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2009, the County Board of McHenry County, Illinois approved Resolution R-200907-12-233 adopting a Travel and Business Expense Policy, which was revised in 2016; and

WHEREAS, it is vital for citizens to maintain confidence in the integrity and fairness of their elected officials; and

WHEREAS, an important public purpose is served by ensuring citizens know who their elected officials are; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for citizens and taxpayers to maintain confidence in the use of their tax money for legitimate government duties; and

WHEREAS, the Finance and Audit Committee reviewed and recommended that the County Board adopt this Resolution to Amend the Travel and Business Expense Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that Part III, Section C of the Travel and Business Expense Policy be amended to add the following subsection after the subsection labeled "Professional-Related Business Expenses":

Civic-Engagement Expenses

Civic-engagement expenses may be made and are reimbursable provided they are not used for political purposes or as a charitable contribution. When an elected county official purchases or seeks reimbursement for materials containing his/her name, picture or likeness, he/she must file with the County Auditor a notarized affidavit attesting that the purchase is being made for a public purpose, and not for a political or charitable purpose.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the McHenry County Board Chairman, all McHenry County Board Members, McHenry County Sheriff, McHenry County Coroner, McHenry County Clerk, McHenry County Circuit Clerk, McHenry County Recorder, McHenry County State's Attorney, McHenry County Treasurer, McHenry County Auditor, McHenry County Director of Purchasing, Associate County Administrator-Finance, and the McHenry County Administrator.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 21st day of August, A.D., 2018.

Jack D. Franks, Chairman
McHenry County Board