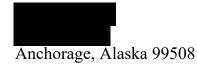


MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE BOARD OF ETHICS C/o Municipal Clerk's Office 632 W. 6th Ave. Ste. 250 Anchorage, AK 99501

December 20, 2024



Re: Ethics Complaint for Potential Violation 2024-05 Political Activity

Dear

Thank you for submitting your ethics complaint for a potential violation of the Municipal Ethics Code. Concerned and proactive citizens are essential for integrity in government and the Board of Ethics appreciates the time you devoted to the complaint.

Your complaint alleged that an assembly member violated Anchorage Municipal Code (AMC) 1.15.110 (Political Activity) by wearing a political shirt while conducting elected duties as an assembly member. The board of ethics considered your complaint at its December 19, 2024, meeting and has declined to review it further pursuant to AMC 1.15.160A.2(g) because, the "allegations, if true, fail to constitute a violation of the code of ethics." Under AMC 1.15.110, elected officials may voice their opinions as part of their usual and customary duties, with limited use of municipal resources. This provision allows elected officials to voice their opinions by wearing expressive personal clothing items such as shirts, buttons, pins, hats, etc., without violating the ethics code.

Thank you for raising your concerns with the Municipal Board of Ethics.

Respectfully,

Municipality of Anchorage Board of Ethics

Daniel Bellerive, Chair Kelly Moghadam Forrest Nabors