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Dear President Yenni and Members of the Jefferson Parish Council:

Please be advised that I serve as counsel to the Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission. As such, one of my responsibilities is to insure that Commission members are appointed in accordance with the appropriate provisions in the Jefferson Parish Charter and the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances.

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Section 4.10 (B) of the Jefferson Parish Charter specifically states: "No member may hold any elective or appointed position with the Parish or with any other government or political party office or have held such position within two years before appointment to the commission." Further, Section 2-537(2) of the Jefferson Code of Ordinances contains identical language to that contained in the Charter relative to appointment of members of the Commission. Therefore, the qualifications for membership are established in pertinent part as follows:

No member may hold any elective or appointed position with the parish nor any other government or political party office or have held such position within two (2) years before appointment to the ethics and compliance commission.

In reviewing the upcoming Agenda for the May 16, 2018 meeting of the Jefferson Parish Council, I see in Item Number 128 that a Resolution is being presented at the request of the Administration to confirm the appointment of Robert B. Evans, Jr. to serve on the Ethics and Compliance Commission. Upon review, it does not appear that he meets the qualifications for service at this time on the Commission. By resolution, the Jefferson Parish Council appointed Mr. Evans to serve as a member of the Tax Millage Re-dedication Advisory Committee on November 15, 2017 (see Resolution Number 130332). As a result of this appointment and Mr. Evans's acceptance of the same, his appointment to the Ethics and Compliance Commission may not be made until at least two years following the conclusion of his service on the Committee.

I am more than happy to address this matter further at your convenience. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

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cc:

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Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission

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On motion of, seconded by, the following resolution was	
RESOLUTION NO. A resolution confirming the appointment of Robert B. Evans, Jr. to serve on the Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission and to provide for related matters. (Parishwide)	
WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 23989 proposing amendments to the Jefferson Parish Charter which included provisions relative to the creation of the Office of Inspector General and an Ethics and Compliance Commission was adopted by the Jefferson Parish Council on April 6, 2011; and, WHEREAS, Section 4.10 of the Jefferson Parish Charter provides that the Commission shall consist of five members, all of whom shall be domiciled in and	
electors of the Parish, who shall be appointed by the Parish President from lists of nominees submitted by the presidents or chancellors of Tulane University, Loyola University of the South, Xavier University, University of New Orleans, and Delgado Community College, and who shall be confirmed by a majority of the members of the Jefferson Parish Council; and, WHEREAS, Mr. Robert B. Evans, Jr. was submitted by the President of the	
University of New Orleans as a nominee to serve on the Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission; and, WHEREAS, upon approval of appointment to serve on the Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission, Mr. Robert B. Evans, Jr. has agreed to adhere to the requirements set forth by state law in submitting an annual Tier 2.1 Personal	
WHEREAS, Mr. Robert B. Evans, Jr. meets and/or exceeds all of the qualifications to be appointed to serve on the Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Jefferson Parish Council of	
Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, acting as governing authority of said Parish: SECTION 1. That the appointment of Mr. Robert B. Evans, Jr. to serve on the Jefferson Parish Ethics and Compliance Commission is hereby confirmed in accordance with Section 4.10 of the Jefferson Parish Charter. SECTION 2. That upon approval of said appointment, Mr. Robert B. Evans, Jr.	
agrees to adhere to the requirements set forth by state law in submitting an annual Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. SECTION 3. That the Chairwoman of the Jefferson Parish Council, or in her absence the Vice-Chairman, be and they are, hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was	
as follows: YEAS: NAYS: ABSENT: The resolution was declared to be adopted on this theday of, 2018.	