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City of Providence, Rhode Island

The Honorable John Peyton
Mayor of Jacksonville
4th Floor, City Hall at St. James
117 W. Duval Street
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Dear Mayor Peyton:

I am writing to let you know about the wonderful presentation Carla Miller shared with the Providence City Council during her visit to Rhode Island on May 18th.

We asked Ms. Miller to help the City Council review the proposed municipal ethics code our city is considering and to come to Providence to discuss her comments and recommendations. She offered to do so as a volunteer and quickly sprang into action, seeking out her colleagues in the field of municipal ethics, and recruiting them to join the process.

Ms. Miller gave a dynamic and informative presentation to the Council Committee on Ordinances and I received exceptional feedback from all the councilors' who attended. Ms. Miller and her colleagues truly helped to reenergize our deliberations on this important legislation and we are moving forward in a more focused approach to implement an ethics code.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of an article from the Providence Journal which appeared the following day, and which summarizes Mr. Miller's presentation. The entire City Council indeed feels very fortunate to have had her expertise and guidance.

I am sure you already know what a gem you have in Ms. Miller, but I wanted to share with you our experience, which went above and beyond all expectations.

Sincerely,



John J. Lombardi
Council President

Enclosure

cc: Adam Hollingsworth
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