STATE OF ILLINOIS	)		FULTON COUNTY BOARD
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COUNTY OF FULTON	)		JUNE SESSION, A.D. 1999

## **ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO RESTRICTING THE SOLICITATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS BY COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has adopted the State Gift Ban Act, which Act is codified as 5 ILCS 425/1; and,

WHEREAS, the State Gift Ban Act imposes certain restrictions upon the solicitation and acceptance of gifts by public officials and public employees; and,

WHEREAS, section 83 of the State Gift Ban Act requires that units of local government shall prohibit the solicitation and acceptance of gifts in a manner substantially in conformance with the limitations imposed by the Act; and,

WHEREAS, this Ordinance represents an effort by the Fulton County Board to adhere to the requirements of the State Gift Ban Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board believes that the adoption of this Ordinance is n the best interest of the citizens and residents of Fulton County;

## AS A RESULT OF THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- No public official nor public employee of Fulton County shall solicit or accept any gift from any source in violation of the State Gift Ban Act.
- 2. No public official nor public employee of Fulton County shall solicit or accept any gift from any source in violation of any federal or state statute, or rule or regulation.
- The ban imposed by the Ordinance shall apply to and include spouses and immediate family living with public official or public employee of Fulton County.
- 4. No person nor entity shall make or offer to make any gift to a public official or public employee of Fulton County, if the solicitation or acceptance of such gift by the Fulton County public official or employee would be a violation of this Ordinance.
- 5. Any person who violates the provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a petty offense. A conviction for this offense shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$500.00. Such solicitation or acceptance of a prohibited gift shall constitute a separate offense.
- This Ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 1999.

Chairman of Fulton County Board

ATTEST:

Ex-Officio Clerk of the Fulton County Board

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