



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS**  
**CITY OF CHICAGO**

December 19, 2016

Steven I. Berlin  
Executive Director  
Chicago Board of Ethics  
740 North Sedgwick Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60654

Dear Executive Director Berlin,

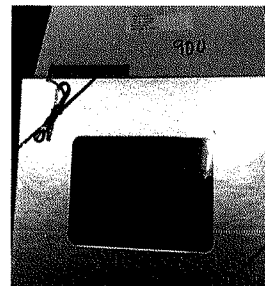
Pursuant to Section 2-156-144 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Department of Buildings wishes to report to your office the immediate return of a gift tendered to the Department.

A box containing a custom chocolate bar, value unknown, was received in the mail at our City Hall offices on Friday December 16, 2016. The gift was sent from Brinshore Development, LLC and addressed to Commissioner Frydland. Regardless of the retail value, the Department has a Zero Gift Policy.

I telephoned Brinshore Development, LLC and thanked them for her consideration but also informed of the Department's Zero Gift Policy and requested that they retrieve the gift.

Sincerely,

Matthew Beaudet  
First Deputy Commissioner



cc: Judith Frydland, Commissioner



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Pursuant to Section 2-156-144 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Department of Buildings wishes to report to your office the immediate return of gifts tendered to the Department.

Four Ferrero Rocher Golden Gift Boxes, consisting of 48 hazelnut chocolates per box, were dropped off at our City Hall offices on Friday December 16, 2016. One box was addressed to Commissioner Frydland and the other three boxes were for the staff. A web search revealed that each gift box retails for \$17.99 without tax making the cumulative gift value \$71.96 without tax. Regardless of the retail value, the Department has a Zero Gift Policy.

The gifts had a card from Ms. Aphrodite Angelakos, who is a licensed architect and licensed structural engineer and the president of a1a Design that is also a sub-vendor in the Department's Developer Services Program.

I telephoned Ms. Agelakos and thanked her for her consideration but also informed of the Department's Zero Gift Policy and requested that she retrieve the gifts.

Sincerely,

Matthew Beaudet  
First Deputy Commissioner



cc: Judith Frydland, Commissioner