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5 Petitioner

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7 **BEFORE THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO**  
8 **ETHICS COMMISSION**

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10 In re the Matter of: ) Case No.: 2009-51  
11 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF )  
FIRE FIGHTERS FIREPAC NON- ) **STIPULATION, DECISION, AND**  
12 FEDERAL, ) **ORDER**  
13 Respondent. )  
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15 **STIPULATION**

16 **THE PARTIES STIPULATE AS FOLLOWS:**

17 1. Petitioner Stacey Fulhorst is the Executive Director of the City of San Diego Ethics  
18 Commission [Ethics Commission]. The Ethics Commission is charged with a duty to administer,  
19 implement, and enforce local governmental ethics laws contained in the San Diego Municipal  
20 Code [SDMC] relating to, among other things, the filing of campaign statements as required by  
21 the City's Election Campaign Control Ordinance [ECCO].

22 2. At all times mentioned herein, International Association of Fire Fighters FIREPAC  
23 Non-Federal [Respondent] was a committee sponsored by the International Association of Fire  
24 Fighters, and registered with the State of California as a general purpose recipient committee  
25 (Filer Identification No. 1255870).

26 3. This Stipulation will be submitted for consideration by the Ethics Commission at its  
27 next scheduled meeting, and the agreements contained herein are contingent upon the approval  
28 of the Stipulation and the accompanying Decision and Order by the Ethics Commission.





1 **Factors in Mitigation**

2 17. Respondent has cooperated fully with the Ethics Commission investigation.

3 18. In addition to Respondent's obligation to report its late independent expenditure  
4 in support of Jan Goldsmith with the City Clerk within 24 hours, Respondent was required to file  
5 a Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report [Form 465] with the City Clerk disclosing the  
6 independent expenditure by February 2, 2009. Respondent filed a Form 465 with the City Clerk  
7 on October 28, 2008, and disclosed the independent expenditure made on October 20, 2008, in  
8 support of Jan Goldsmith. Thus, while the independent expenditure was not disclosed to the  
9 public within 24 hours as required by state and local law, it was disclosed prior to the election of  
10 November 4, 2008.

11 **Conclusion**

12 19. Respondent agrees to file a Form 496 with the City Clerk no later than August 11,  
13 2009, reflecting the independent expenditure described above in Paragraph 13.

14 20. Respondent agrees to take necessary and prudent precautions to ensure timely  
15 disclosure of independent expenditures in the future, and to comply with all of the provisions of  
16 the City's Election Campaign Control Ordinance.

17 21. Respondent agrees to pay a fine in the amount of \$1,500 for violating SDMC  
18 section 27.2930. This amount must be paid no later than August 11, 2009, by check or money  
19 order made payable to the City Treasurer. The submitted payment will be held pending  
20 Commission approval of this Stipulation and execution of the Decision and Order portion set  
21 forth below.

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23 DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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STACEY FULHORST, Executive Director  
ETHICS COMMISSION, Petitioner

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26 DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE  
FIGHTERS FIREPAC NON-FEDERAL, Respondent  
By: VINCENT J. BOLLON, Treasurer

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**DECISION AND ORDER**

The Ethics Commission considered the above Stipulation at its meeting on August 13, 2009. The Ethics Commission hereby approves the Stipulation and orders that, in accordance with the Stipulation, Respondent pay a fine in the amount of \$1,500.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

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Richard Valdez, Chair  
CITY OF SAN DIEGO ETHICS COMMISSION