September 22, 2016

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

Dear Executive Director Berlin,

Pursuant to Section 2-156-142(d)(8), the Department of Buildings wishes to report the following gifts our department received on September 20, 2016 from a delegation of government officials from the City of Shanghai, People’s Republic of China. The gifts were accepted on behalf of the City of Chicago and will be used for City business purposes.

The delegation met with Assistant Commissioner Hal Hutchinson on September 20, 2016 in Room 501 of City Hall at the delegation’s request to discuss the City’s building permit and inspection process. The delegation consisted of approximately a dozen government officials from various governmental agencies led by Mr. Chen Dong, Party Secretary and Vice Director of the Shanghai Science and Technology Development and Exchange Center. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Dong presented the following gifts on behalf of all of the agencies (photos also included):

1. One hardcover book entitled Looking Back from High in the Air – A Photo Album of Shanghai Urban Development. Two sets of metal fruit/vegetable utensil sets.
2. One 2’ x 2’ silk scarf depicting an aquatic scene with ducks and frogs.
3. One set of Chinese postal stamps depicting scenery of Shanghai.
4. One set metal utensils with porcelain handles.

All of the above were accepted on behalf of the City of Chicago, the value of which could not be determined, and will be placed in an area of public display by the Department.

Sincerely,

Matthew W. Beaudet  
First Deputy Commissioner

cc: Judith Frydland, Commissioner  
Emily Berman, Deputy Director of Strategic Partnership & Global Affair, Mayor’s Office