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**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
COMMISSION ON ETHICS & PUBLIC TRUST**

**In re: ANDRE PIERRE
AND
CLINTON S. SHANNON**

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PUBLIC REPORT AND FINAL DISMISSAL ORDER

COMPLAINANT, Basil R. Baglio, a citizen, filed the above-referenced COMPLAINT on February 1, 2010, alleging ethics violations against RESPONDENTS Andre Pierre, Mayor of the City of North Miami, and Clinton S. Shannon, Chief of Police in the City of North Miami.

The COMPLAINT contended that Mayor Pierre and Chief Shannon exploited their official positions at a City Council Meeting on January 26, 2010. COMPLAINANT Baglio alleged that he was removed from the meeting when he attempted to discuss an issue involving the North Miami Police Department.

Pursuant to the Code of Miami-Dade County, § 2-1068, the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission extends "to any person required to comply with the ... County or municipal Code of Ethics Ordinances." Section 2-11.1 (g) of the County Ethics Code, *Exploitation of official position prohibited*, states, "No person ... shall use or attempt to use his official position to secure special privileges or exemptions for himself or others."

An investigation of the January 26th meeting determined that the Mayor was at all times well-mannered, and that a uniformed police officer remained silently at the side of the COMPLAINANT, without words or actions, throughout the COMPLAINANT's public comments. The COMPLAINANT left the meeting of his own volition.

Because the COMPLAINT does not point to any actions that violate the County Ethics Ordinance, the Ethics Commission DISMISSED the COMPLAINT on February 25, 2010, due to lack of legal sufficiency.

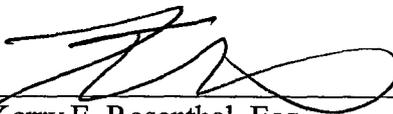
Therefore it is:

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT the COMPLAINT against RESPONDENTS Andre Pierre and Clinton S. Shannon is hereby DISMISSED.

DONE AND ORDERED by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics & Public Trust in public session on February 25, 2010.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION ON ETHICS
& PUBLIC TRUST

By:



Kerry E. Rosenthal, Esq.
Chairman

Signed on this date: March 4, 2010