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INQ 18-28 Moss

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Dennis Moss, Miami-Dade County Commissioner (DIST 9), inquired concerning whether there would be any ethical issues or lobbying issues in connection with his use of his official position to promote a jazz festival event at Miami Bayfront Park. Commissioner Moss explained that he had attended such an event in the Orlando area, and was extremely impressed with the presentation, to the extent that he conversed with the organizers of the event about putting on a similar event in Miami. Commissioner Moss stated that he had no financial or other personal interest in the event, other than his interest in promoting such a cultural event at an appropriate location such as Bayfront Park in the City of Miami. He said it was his intent to meet with City of Miami officials in connection with the proposed event that he felt would appeal to a broad section of jazz and music lovers, and be a productive and positive use of the public space in question. I informed him that, under the circumstances related by him, his lack of any financial or other personal motive and the fact that it involved a cultural event within the County that would serve a public purpose in providing a venue for such a cultural event, would not present an ethical problem for him in promoting the event and meeting with City of Miami officials in pursuance of the event. The fact that he would be acting within his role as a County Commissioner would permit him to do so without registering as a lobbyist, pursuant to Section 2-11.1(s)(3). Further, the fact he would derive no financial or other compensation for his efforts would not create any ethical problem under Section 2-11.(g) (Exploitation).

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