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To: Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager *[Signature]*  
 From: Jose L. Lopez, Sr., Chief of Police  
 Date: July 21, 2011  
 RE: **Permission Request for Funds Solicitation**

Mr. Bonfield, after accepting the job as Chief of Police one of my first goals upon arriving to Durham was to establish a Police Athletic League (PAL) within the organization developed to provide a structured outlet for the youth of the Durham community that is positive in nature. Through the use of educational, recreational and athletic programs and interaction with members of the police department, PAL creates trust and respect for Law Enforcement in our youth and sets our youth on course to being productive citizens.

In 2010, the Durham Police Department initiated the establishment of the PAL league. This program was established without any budgetary funding, but through collaboration with several youth organizations within the Durham community PAL has engaged over 500 youth between the ages of 5 to 18 in three different areas of sports with plans to create two more sporting programs.

Over the past year of operation, the PAL program has been funded through the use of small grants provided by local businesses such as Target to purchase uniforms and equipment. Although continuing collaboration with other youth organization, my desire for the PAL program is for it to become a self sustained program with budgetary funding of its own. In the interim, there is great need as the program continues to grow and the number of youth we engage continues to increase for equipment and uniforms and other supplies, as well as funding for trips and awards celebrations.

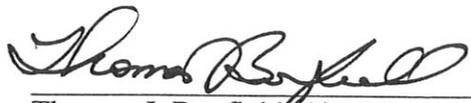
Under City Policy FP 109.01 Contributions and Solicitations made to City dated April 1, 2001, Subsection (1) defines the City Manager's authorization by Council to accept contributions \$5000.00 or less. Subsection (3) [a] through [e] defines those departments and organizations that have been authorized to solicit funding from public/private organizations. Subsection (3) [f] states that all other persons/organizations not listed in Subsection [a] through [e] must notify City Manager before soliciting on behalf of the City. In complying with this City Policy, I am requesting permission for the Community Services Bureau of the Durham Police Department to conduct fund raising and solicitation for funding for the continual operation of the Police Athletic League Program.

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*O/c Clayton*  
*A/c Burwell ✓*

Approve                       Not approve



Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager

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Date