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CITY MANAGER

LICENSE COMMISSION

JAMES THADDEUS McDAVITT
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Chief-of-Police Department

THOMAS V. SCOTT
Chief-of-Fire Department

TO: Robert W. Healy, City Manager ✓
& Russell Higley, City Solicitor
FROM: James McDavitt, License Commission Chairman
DATE: July 18, 1986
RE: Licensee's Hiring of Spouse

Please be advised that my wife, Mary McDavitt, has applied for a job with the Kendall Square Marriott, which the License Commission regulates with respect to hotel rooms, an alcoholic beverage restaurant, and entertainment/function halls. The Marriott is showing preference in employment to all Cambridge residents, so her chances of being hired are good.

To avoid any appearance of impropriety under G.L.c.268A s.23 I have notified the Marriott General Manager that Marriott genuinely is free to hire or not hire my wife without any possibility of favorable or adverse licensing decisions resulting therefrom.

Furthermore, if the Marriott does hire my wife, pursuant to G.L.c.268As.19 and s.23, I shall then take the following steps:

1. Advise the Marriott it remains free to retain or discharge my wife as it deems best, without any possibility of favorable or adverse licensing decisions resulting therefrom;
2. Request and secure the permission of the City Manager to allow me generally to participate in subsequent matters concerning the Marriott so long as the matters concern non-controversial routine applications, e.g. to change managers, or to remodel part of the interior.
3. Notify and confer with the City Manager should the Marriott be scheduled to come before the License Commission for a disciplinary hearing; and
4. Prior to participating in any public hearings involving the Marriott, advise all present that my wife's an employee of the Marriott.

Based on the foregoing, I would request a policy opinion from the City Manager and a legal opinion from the City Solicitor.

Please advise if there are any questions.

Approved
[Signature]

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Comm. from James McDavitt, Chair, License
Commission to the City Manager & City Solic-
itor Re: his wife's application for a job
with the Marriott Hotel in Kendall Square;
said comm. requesting a policy opinion from
the City Manager & a legal opinion from the
City Solicitor.

September 23, 1986