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9 AN ORDINANCE

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11 The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors of the County of Milwaukee does ordain as  
12 follows:

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14 **Section 1.** Chapter 9 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is hereby  
15 amended as follows:

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17 **9.01(2). - Declaration of policy and ethics principles.**

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19 The ethical county public official or employee should not:

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21 \* Engage in outside interests that are not compatible with the impartial and objective  
22 performance of his or her duties.  
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24 \* Improperly influence or attempt to influence other officials to act in his or her own  
25 benefit.  
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27 \* Accept anything of value from any source that is offered to influence his or her  
28 action as a public official.  
29 \* Improperly use county resources outside of his or her county duties to **solicit or**  
30 provide support for or against an elected county official or an elected county  
31 official's appointment

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33 **9.02. - Definitions.**

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35 (6) "Elected official" means any person holding an elected county office.

36 (6m) "Elected official's appointment" means any person who is appointed by an  
37 elected official and who requires county board confirmation.

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39 (19) "Solicit" means to seek or plead, to entreat and ask

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41 (20) Resources" means county supplies, services, property, or facilities not available to  
42 all citizens.

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44 (20) (21) "Verified complaint" means a written statement from a person, given under  
45 oath and subscribed before a notary public or other official authorized to administer

46 oaths, alleging specific acts or omissions constituting a violation of the Code by an  
47 identified person subject to the Code. The verified complaint must remain confidential  
48 until disclosure is permitted or required by the Code unless the subject of the  
49 complaint requests in writing that it be made part of the public record.

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51 **9.05(2). Standards of Conduct.**

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53 (j) *No solicitation of at-will employees:*

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55 ~~a.~~ No elected county official shall knowingly solicit a  
56 campaign contribution from any "at-will employee"  
57 defined as an employee who is not under union or  
58 labor contract with the county, who is hired for an  
59 indefinite term or who is under an independent contract  
60 with the county or its subparts or who can be discharged  
61 or terminated at any time for any nondiscriminatory  
62 reason.

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64 ~~b. No elected county official, or appointee of an elected~~  
65 ~~county official, shall knowingly solicit support or anything~~  
66 ~~of value from at will employees to influence the outcome~~  
67 ~~of an elected county official's appointment.~~

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70 (k) *No solicitation of county contractors: No elected county official, or*  
71 *appointee of an elected county official, shall knowingly solicit support*  
72 *or anything of value from a contractor to influence the outcome of an*  
73 *elected county official's appointment.*

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75 ~~(k)(l)~~ *No campaign contributions to county officials with approval authority: No*  
76 *person(s) with a personal financial interest in the approval or denial of a*  
77 *contract or proposal being considered by a county department or with an*  
78 *agency funded and regulated by a county department, shall make a*  
79 *campaign contribution to any county elected official who has approval*  
80 *authority over that contract or proposal during its consideration. Contract*  
81 *or proposal consideration shall begin when a contract or proposal is*  
82 *submitted directly to a county department or to an agency funded or*  
83 *regulated by a county department until the contract or proposal has*  
84 *reached final disposition, including adoption, county executive action,*  
85 *proceedings on veto (if necessary) or departmental approval. This*  
86 *provision does not apply to those items covered by section 9.14 unless*  
87 *an acceptance by an elected official would conflict with this section. The*  
88 *language in subsection 9.05(2)(k) shall be included in all Requests for*  
89 *Proposals and bid documents.*

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~~(l)~~(m) *Limits on honorarium fees or expense reimbursements:* No county public official or employee shall accept or solicit any honorariums, fees or expense reimbursements except in accordance with section 9.14.

**Section 2.**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication.

**Adopted by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
November 3, 2016**