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Ms. Jane T. Feldman, Executive Director  
Colorado Independent Ethics Commission  
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Denver, Colorado 80202

**Re: Request for Investigation of Adams County Assessor**

Dear Ms. Feldman:

An article in today's *Denver Post* reports that Adams County Assessor Gil Reyes accepted Colorado Rockies and Avalanche tickets as well as lunch invitations from Randall Hertel, senior vice president of Majestic Realty Co. The article followed a Colorado Open Records Act request that included e-mails between Mr. Hertel and Mr. Reyes which specifically reference invitations to lunch and offers for tickets that were accepted by Mr. Reyes.

As you are aware, Colorado Constitution Article XXIX, Section 3 prohibits local government officials from accepting gifts or other items of value exceeding \$50 in any calendar year. The Board of County Commissioners has no independent knowledge of the circumstances reported in the *Post's* story. However, we are very alarmed by these allegations of Mr. Reyes' violation of state law and the further erosion of public trust that will undoubtedly ensue.

The Board of County Commissioners hereby formally requests that the Independent Ethics Commission initiate an investigation of Mr. Reyes into the conduct alleged in the *Post's* article in accordance with Colorado Constitution Article XXIX, Section 5(3). Included with this request are copies of the emails that have been turned over to the Property Tax Administrator and *The Denver Post*. Please contact us if we can provide any further assistance into the commission's investigation of this complaint.

Sincerely,

  
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