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STATEMENT FROM DOI COMMISSIONER MARK G. PETERS

DOI Commissioner Mark G. Peters said, "City Hall is misinformed. Our investigation conclusively demonstrated that Commissioner Ponte and others did not receive official "advice" that they could use their cars for personal trips out of state. Indeed, one of the senior staff was previously fined by COIB for related conduct. There can be no defense of this behavior and City Hall harms government integrity by even trying. Regardless of City Hall's response, our independent investigation will continue."

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