April 11, 1974

Mr. John Cipriano 558 Second Street Trenton, New Jersey 08611

Dear Mr. Cipriano:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 20, 1974.

The expenses incurred by a candidate or a committee acting on his behalf constitute expenses authorized or incurred by the candidate in furtherance or aid of his candidacy, and accordingly, the gross proceeds from such an affair must be reported as a contribution and the expenses for such an affair included as an expenditure for purposes of the expenditure limit.

If the affair described in the second paragraph of your letter falls within the definition of "testimonial affair" as defined in section 3(k) of Chapter 83 of the Laws of 1973, a copy of which is enclosed, you may use as the expenditure figure in your return, either one-third of the gross receipts or the actual expenses, whichever is less. You must indicate the actual gross receipts, however, and advise the Commission that you have used the optional reporting figure.

Yours very truly,

Edward J. Farrell Legal Counsel N.J. ELECTION LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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