



July 1, 2026

Via email only

Ethan Carrier
General Counsel
New York City Conflicts of Interest Board
2 Lafayette Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: COIB Rule 1-13(e)(1): Designation of NYC Emergency Management Employee to Perform Work with Not-for-Profit Entity

Dear Mr. Carrier:

Pursuant to Rule 1-13(e)(1) of the Rules of the Conflicts of Interest Board, I, as Commissioner of New York City Emergency Management ("NYCEM"), have designated **Jill Cornell** to perform work in her official NYCEM capacity as a member of the Faith Sector Preparedness Advisory Committee (the Advisory Committee) for New York Disaster Interfaith Services (NYDIS).

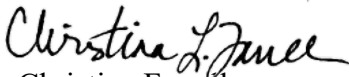
NYDIS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit in New York City. Per its website, NYDIS "inspires, connects, and equips faith communities to serve our neighbors in times of crisis and suffering, by building pathways to recovery, resilience and social justice." As a NYCEM Community Engagement Program Manager, Jill builds relationships with community partners and supports the agency's mission to build capacity in local communities and organizations to prepare for, respond to, and recover from an emergency.

The Advisory Committee positions are unpaid, and Jill would be a non-voting member of the committee. Per NYDIS, the committee will provide a space for leaders across faith, nonprofit, and public sectors to lead an initiative to provide emergency preparedness and climate resilience resources to faith leaders and their communities in New York City. On this committee, Jill will promote awareness of NYCEM and City programs, and strengthen the agency's relationship with a emergency preparedness partner to the City.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have determined Jill has met the necessary conditions to be designated to this position. There is a demonstrated nexus between her proposed participation in the advisory committee, her City job, and NYCEM's mission; and her participation on the Advisory Committee furthers the agency's mission and is not undertaken primarily for the benefits or interests of the not-for-profit entity. NYDIS has business dealings with the City, however, those business dealings are not with NYCEM, and Jill is not involved in those business dealings either at NYCEM or NYDIS.

Based on the foregoing, as Commissioner, I designate Jill to serve on the NYDIS Advisory Committee.

Yours truly,


Christina Farrell
Commissioner

cc: Sonja Orgias, Esq., Chief Counsel



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
THE CITY OF NEW YORK

JULIA G. KERSON
DEPUTY MAYOR FOR OPERATIONS

July 6, 2026

Via email only

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New York City Conflicts of Interest Board
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New York, NY 10007

**Re: COIB Rule 1-13(e)(1): Designation of NYC Emergency Management Commissioner to
Serve On Not-for-Profit Entity's Board of Directors**

Dear Mr. Carrier:

Pursuant to Rule 1-13(e)(1) of the Rules of the Conflicts of Interest Board (COIB), I, as Deputy Mayor of Operations, have designated New York City Emergency Management (NYCEM) Commissioner Christina L. Farrell under COIB Rule 1-13(e)(1) to serve as an ex-officio member of the American Red Cross in the Greater New York region (ARC-GNY) Board of Directors.

ARC-GNY is a 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. Further, ARC-GNY volunteers and staff work to deliver vital services – from providing relief and support to those impacted in crises and emergencies, and teaching emergency preparedness.

Commissioner Farrell leads the agency in the coordination of the city's response to emergency conditions and incidents which require a multi-agency response, and its planning and preparedness for the City, its residents, and visitors. As the commissioner of the City's coordinating agency, Commissioner Farrell develops and maintains relationships with fellow agency heads, local, state, federal and regional leaders, and partners in the non-profit and private sectors.

The National American Red Cross (National ARC) has business dealings with the City and NYCEM. The regional ARC-GNY does not have current business dealings with the City or NYCEM. Commissioner Farrell is not involved with the National ARC or ARC-GNY's business dealings with the City.

As a key emergency management and human services provider for the City, ARC-GNY coordinates with NYCEM to provide much needed support to City residents displaced by fire or other emergencies. By serving on the ARC-GNY Board of Directors as a non-voting member, Commissioner Farrell can provide guidance and experience based on her current role and more than twenty years of emergency management experience to improve planning and response with a vital City partner.

Based upon the information presented to me, I designate Commissioner Farrell to serve as ex officio for the ARC-GNY Board of Directors pursuant to Rule 1-13(e)(1), on the basis that there is a demonstrated nexus between Commissioner Farrell's role and responsibilities at NYCEM, the NYCEM mission, and her proposed participation with ARC-GNY; the Commissioner takes no part in ARC-GNY's business dealings with the City; and that such activity furthers NYCEM's mission and is not undertaken primarily for the benefit or interest of ARC-GNY.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julia", with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Julia Kerson

Deputy Mayor of Operations

cc: Ramzi Kassem, Chief Counsel to the Mayor and City Hall;
Sonja Orgias, NYCEM Chief Counsel