

ORDINANCE NO. 98-28

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO
RESTRICTING THE SOLICITATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS
BY COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has adopted the State Gift Ban Act, which Act is codified as 5 ILCS 425/1; and

WHEREAS, the State Gift Ban Act imposes certain restrictions upon the solicitation and acceptance of gifts by public officials and public employees; and

WHEREAS, section 83 of the State Gift Ban Act requires that units of local government shall prohibit the solicitation and acceptance of gifts in a manner substantially in conformance with the limitations imposed by the Act; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance represents an effort by the Kendall County Board to adhere to the requirements of the State Gift Ban Act; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall County Board believes that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Kendall County;

AS A RESULT OF THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. No public official nor public employee of Kendall County shall solicit or accept any gift from any source in violation of the State Gift Ban Act.
2. No public official nor public employee of Kendall County shall solicit or accept any gift from any source in violation of any federal or state statute, or rule or regulation.
3. The ban imposed by the Ordinance shall apply to and include spouses and immediate family living with the public official or public employee of Kendall County.
4. No person nor entity shall make or offer to make any gift to a public official or public employee of Kendall County, if the solicitation or acceptance of such gift by the Kendall County public official or employee would be a violation of this Ordinance.

5. Any person who violates the provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a petty offense. A conviction for this offense shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$500.00. Each solicitation or acceptance of a prohibited gift shall constitute a separate offense.
6. This Ordinance shall take effect on NOVEMBER 17, 1998.



John Church, County Board Chairman

ATTEST: 

County Clerk