

ORDINANCE NO. 004-76

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN  
AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO.  
97-119, AUTHORIZING THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF A CODE OF  
ETHICS FOR CHICAGO TRANSIT  
AUTHORITY EMPLOYEES AND  
OFFICIALS

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WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Board, by Ordinance No. 89-88, and as thereafter amended, established a Code of Ethics for Chicago Transit Authority employees and officials; and

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Board most recently amended the Code of Ethics in Ordinance No. 97-119; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly enacted the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, 5 ILCS 430/1-1 et seq., effective November 19, 2003, and amended December 9, 2003 (collectively, the "Act"), a comprehensive revision of Illinois statutes regulating officer and employee ethics conduct, including political activities and the solicitation and acceptance of gifts by state officials and employees; and

WHEREAS, The Act requires that the Chicago Transit Authority adopt an ordinance or resolution regulating the political activities of, and the solicitation and acceptance of gifts by, Chicago Transit Authority officers and employees in a manner no less restrictive than the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS, It is essential to the proper operation of representative government that public officials and employees be independent and impartial, that public office and employment not be used for personal gain and that the public have full confidence in the integrity and fair and honest administration of government; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the changes required by statute, the Chicago Transit Board wishes to amend certain other provisions of its Code of Ethics; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD  
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That the Chicago Transit Authority's Code of Ethics be amended in the form of the "Ethics Ordinance of the Chicago Transit Authority," attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

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Chairman

June 9, 2004

PASSED:

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Assistant Secretary

June 9, 2004