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**Form 9 QUARTERLY GIFT DISCLOSURE (GIFTS OVER \$100)**

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME <i>Goodin Gordon Alan</i>			NAME OF AGENCY <i>Santa Rosa County Board of County Commissioners</i>	
MAILING ADDRESS <i>6467 Avenida de Galvez</i>			OFFICE OR POSITION HELD <i>Commissioner</i>	
CITY <i>Navarre</i>	ZIP <i>32566</i>	COUNTY <i>Santa Rosa</i>	FOR QUARTER ENDING (CHECK ONE): <input type="checkbox"/> MARCH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JUNE <input type="checkbox"/> SEPTEMBER <input type="checkbox"/> DECEMBER	
			YEAR <i>2005</i>	

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**PART A - STATEMENT OF GIFTS**

Please list below each gift, the value of which you believe to exceed \$100, accepted by you during the calendar quarter for which this statement is being filed. You are required to describe the gift and state the monetary value of the gift, the name and address of the person making the gift, and the date(s) the gift was received. If any of these facts, other than the gift description, are unknown or not applicable, you should so state on the form. As explained more fully in the instructions on the reverse side of the form, you are not required to disclose gifts from relatives or certain other gifts. You are not required to file this statement for any calendar quarter during which you did not receive a reportable gift.

DATE RECEIVED	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT	MONETARY VALUE	NAME OF PERSON MAKING THE GIFT	ADDRESS OF PERSON MAKING THE GIFT
<i>5-15-05 + 5-19-05</i>	<i>Air Transportation to + from Georgia Honduras for me and my wife</i>	<i>\$1037.00</i>	<i>Helicopters of Northwest Florida, Inc.</i>	<i>8494 Navarre Parkway Navarre, FL 32566</i>
<i>5-15 thru 5-18-05</i>	<i>Lodging for me and my wife</i>	<i>\$352.00</i>	<i>Martha S. Pullan</i>	<i>8494 Navarre Parkway Navarre, FL 32566</i>
<i>Values are calculated for my wife and me.</i>				

CHECK HERE IF CONTINUED ON SEPARATE SHEET

**PART B - RECEIPT PROVIDED BY PERSON MAKING THE GIFT**

If any receipt for a gift listed above was provided to you by the person making the gift, you are required to attach a copy of that receipt to this form. You may attach an explanation of any differences between the information disclosed on this form and the information on the receipt.

CHECK HERE IF A RECEIPT IS ATTACHED TO THIS FORM

**PART C - OATH**

I, the person whose name appears at the beginning of this form, do depose on oath or affirmation and say that the information disclosed herein and on any attachments made by me constitutes a true accurate, and total listing of all gifts required to be reported by Section 112.3148, Florida Statutes	STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF <u><i>Santa Rosa</i></u> Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this <u><i>14th</i></u> day of <u><i>July</i></u> , 20 <u><i>09</i></u>
	by <u><i>Gordon A. Goodin</i></u>  Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida  <i>Merry A. Andrews</i> (Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public) Personally Known <u><i>March 6, 2009</i></u> Produced Identification Type of Identification Produced <u><i>DD848078</i></u>
SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICIAL  <i>[Signature]</i>	

**PART D - FILING INSTRUCTIONS**

This form, when duly signed and notanzed, must be filed with the Commission on Ethics, P.O. Drawer 46709, Tallahassee, Florida 32317-5709, physical address 3600 Maclay Blvd. South, Suite 201, Tallahassee, Florida 32312. The form must be filed no later than the last day of the calendar quarter that follows the calendar quarter for which this form is filed (For example, if a gift is received in March, it should be disclosed by June 30.)

**Gordon Goodin  
6467 Avenida de Galvez  
Navarre, FL 32566**

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July 14, 2009

To whom it may concern-

In May 2005, I took a trip to Guanaja, Honduras (one of the Honduran Bay Islands). Bill and Martha Pullum (friends for over 25 years) invited my wife Jean and I (and another couple who are also close, personal friends) to visit Guanaja and to see the Cay where they were building an Island home. I was also invited so I could see the plight of the residents of Guanaja related to devastation they received from Hurricane Mitch in 1998. Specifically, I was invited because of my then recent experiences as a County Commissioner in disaster recovery related to Hurricane Ivan, and from the near destruction of my family's home from a lightning strike in 2000.

Bill and Martha had become acquainted with Guanaja during a construction mission trip conducted by the Gulf Breeze United Methodist Church. The Gulf Breeze Rotary Club and the City of Gulf Breeze have also completed several humanitarian trips to Guanaja since 1999. As the web site for Clark's Cay explains, Bill and Martha felt strongly enough about the area that they purchased the small island and began the process of rebuilding the Cay. Through the introduction of basic infrastructure that we take for granted (electricity and running water), and by encouraging and facilitating other medical and construction mission trips to Guanaja, they set about trying to improve the quality of life for the residents and families of this Bay Island. Mission trips have been taking place before *and* since our trip in 2005. A mission trip has even been planned for this month, if the Honduran government's coup has been resolved.

While some may try to characterize this trip as a trip to a luxurious Caribbean island, it is important to remember that Honduras is one of the poorest countries in the world, and like Haiti and Cuba, it has not been the destination of choice for the typical tourist or visitor to the Caribbean. It is not Club Med or Sandals. It is closer to (and may be) a Third World country.

Upon returning from the trip to Honduras, Jean and I talked about what we could do to contribute to the ongoing mission work in Guanaja, and to help the hard working people we met in Guanaja. Before we left the island, we talked with a community leader we had met, Roger. He explained that among the many needs his community had, one of the greatest was the ability to fight the ravaging wildfires that plagued their islands. Because of the mountainous terrain, the absence of roads, and the inability to pump water onto the fires, they can only fight their fires by hand. Because of the intense heat and smoke, their firefighters

were only able to fight the fire for a few minutes before they had to retreat and recover. The loss of property, the number of serious injuries, and loss of lives had become overwhelming, and another source of chronic frustration and anxiety for these hard working people.

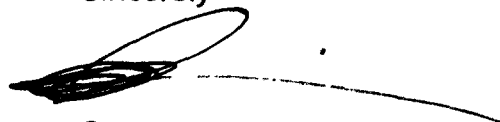
Jean and I decided that we should purchase self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for the Honduran firefighters in an attempt to better equip them to fight their wildfires. We were personally able to purchase two SCBA units from a company in Fairhope, Alabama for about \$7000. I took them to Bill and asked him to present them to the firefighters in Guanaja the next time he traveled to Honduras. I have not been back to Honduras since May 2005, but I know they were appreciative of the equipment, and it has made fighting their fires (while still difficult and dangerous) much easier and more effective.

Four years later, and after talking to hundreds of people about our trip to Guanaja, it has come to my attention that I should have filed a Gift report with the Florida Ethics Commission. It doesn't matter that Bill and Martha have been my personal friends for at least 25 years, or that Jean has been their friend for around 40 years. It doesn't matter that Bill and Martha were committed to making the trip at that time (to deliver building materials and supplies whether I went or not). And it doesn't matter that there was extra space available on the plane that might have gone unused during this trip. In other words, it doesn't matter that this trip wasn't planned around me or my schedule.

It does matter that the trip and lodging on their island had value. And it does matter that the value of the transportation and lodging had a value greater than \$100. It does matter that I didn't file a Gift Report (Form 9) with the Florida Ethics Commission in the quarter after I returned from Honduras. I should have known better, and I am sorry. I also know there are supporters and constituents that will be disappointed and upset with me for this technical violation.

Please accept this letter and supporting documentation as an explanation for the late reporting of this gift. I have offered this explanation publicly at a meeting of the Santa Rosa County Commission on July 9, 2009. I hope this provides the information you need to determine the resolution of this technical violation of the Quarterly Gift Disclosure. If further information is needed, please contact me at the address above or at my home number, 850-939-1274.

Sincerely-



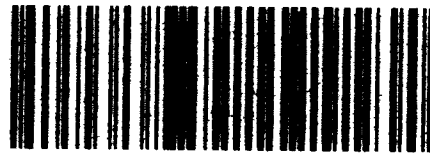
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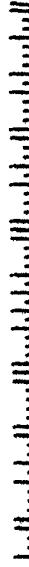
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