



OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
CITY OF JACKSONVILLE

Certified Mail

June 14, 2021

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Jupiter, FL 33458

RE: Amy Donofrio, Client

SUBJECT: Whistle-blower Determination
Office of Inspector General Correspondence Number 2021-04-0005

Dear Ms. Scott:

On April 22, 2021, Dr. Diane Greene, Superintendent Duval County Public Schools forwarded a complaint via e-mail dated April 14, 2021, from your client, Amy E. Donofrio, which articulated that Ms. Donofrio submitted the complaint under the protections of the Florida Whistle-blower's Act, Florida Statute, §112.3187. Dr. Greene forwarded the complaint to my attention pursuant to City of Jacksonville, *Ordinance Code*, Chapter 602.303(v), "*the Inspector General is considered the "appropriate local official" of the City for purposes of whistleblower protection provided by Section 112.3188(1), Florida Statutes.*"

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) has reviewed the disclosures made by your client, Amy Donofrio, provided in the complaint sent to Dr. Diane Greene, and during the meeting with the Director of Investigations and me on May 19, 2019, necessary to make an appropriate determination. The OIG has determined this disclosure demonstrates reasonable cause for protection under Part 5, of Chapter 602, *Ordinance Code*. The OIG made this determination on May 19, 2021.

Pursuant to Part 5, Chapter 602, *Ordinance Code*, the name and identity of any employee who discloses in writing and in good faith that an employee or agent of any agency or independent contractor has committed an act of gross mismanagement, malfeasance, misfeasance, gross waste of public funds, or gross neglect of duty may not be disclosed to anyone other than in accordance with F.S. §112.3188.

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Your client, Amy Donofrio has been designated as a whistleblower. After all relevant investigations and/or civil suits have been completed, the Office of Inspector General will determine if additional review or an investigation is appropriate. Upon conclusion if an investigation is conducted by this office, your client will be notified and given an opportunity to provide comments, which will be incorporated into any final report of investigation.

Please accept my apologies for the delay in getting this determination to you, however, I was waiting for the information to be submitted in writing as requested. If you sent the information, please let me know, as to date the written submission has not yet been received.

Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at (904) 255-5800.

Sincerely,



Lisa A. Green
Inspector General

cc: OIG Correspondence File 2021-04-0005