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From: Brother Frantz Pierre 
To: MHCCC Board
Re: Turkey donation of 2013

This memo is written to clarify the turkey issue of November 2013.

The facts are as follows:

I, Frantz Pierre, did receive a request from MHCCC for turkey donation some time in October of 2013. I approved such request through the City of North Miami Beach. The president of the corporation (Harold Calixte) was told that MHCCC shall receive the donation, provided that he produces certain documents which would allow its corporation to receive a vendor number from the City of North Miami Beach. Due to the fact that MHCCC was dormant at that time and that its new board was freshly reappointed, the documents were not readily available to beat the turkey deadline.

As a remedy to the situation, I proposed that the donation be rerouted through another organization which has already had a vendor number with the City. This organization (Center for Family Empowerment), which also placed a request from the City, did not get approved since the turkey fund was already depleted. CFE, however, agrees to receive the donation on behalf of MHCCC with the understanding both organizations shall share the turkeys equally.

In the meantime, I have reserved for MHCCC 200 turkeys from Wal-Mart (for a total of \$2,500). Because the money was not ready on the date of the sale, Wal-Mart did resale the turkeys. When I got the cash from the church, it was too late; the turkeys were gone. At this point, we had to chase turkeys wherever we could find them. A total of 132 turkeys were bought from at least six different supermarkets in Dade and in Broward. Eighty (80) turkeys went to CFE and the rest (53) to the Church. Because all the turkeys could not be bought, I asked CFE to return any unused portion of the cash. They did produce two checks for a total of \$750; which I gave to Brother Harold Calixte. That's what I can tell from the best of my recollection.

Should there be any additional questions, feel free to contact me.