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Ms. Julie Nistler
FOIA Officer
Park Ridge Police Department
200 South Vine Avenue
Park Ridge, Illinois 60068

Re: Pre-Authorization Request – 2010 PAC 7130
FOIA Requester: [redacted]
Insured Party: American Egg Board Inc.

Dear Ms. Nistler:

We have received and reviewed the written notice from the Park Ridge Police Department (Department) of its intent to deny disclosure of dates of birth in a police report as exempt from disclosure under subsection 7(1)(c) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1 *et seq.*, as amended (FOIA).

Subsection 7(1)(c) exempts from inspection and copying "[p]ersonal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy". The exemption defines "unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" as "the disclosure of information that is highly personal or objectionable to a reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information."

The Department's use of the subsection 7(1)(c) exemption with regard to the aforementioned information is **approved**. The information is highly personal by its very nature, and the subjects' right to privacy with respect to this information outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining it. Thus, the information is exempt from disclosure under subsection 7(1)(c) of FOIA, as disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy to the subjects of the information.

As such, the City should issue a partial denial letter directly to the FOIA requester. Should you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (312) 793-0865. This correspondence shall serve to close this matter.

Sincerely, [redacted]

Cara Smith
Public Access Counselor

By: Sara Gadola Gallagher
Deputy Public Access Counselor

cc: [redacted]