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Mr. William Rainey, Chairman
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Dear Wayne:

In response to your letter of March 21 as to the use of the proxy of the mass meeting it is my ruling that there is no such thing as the use of a proxy at a mass meeting. First, the Party Plan clearly states that no person shall have more than one vote at a meeting through the use of proxies. The purpose of this is so that one person cannot go around and collect a group of proxies.

Even if more than one proxy were possible under the Party Plan I still think it would be highly questionable whether or not a proxy would be legal for a mass meeting; therefore, I accordingly rule that the use of proxies cannot be had at a mass meeting.

Very truly yours,

C. Jefferson Stafford
[General Counsel]