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While I firmly believe that I can act in an independent manner as the Hearing Officer, I have elected to step aside to allow the Court to be the decision-maker in this process.

It is clear to me, from the paperwork he has submitted that Mr. Gallo is intent on drawing this process out and unfairly shifting the emphasis over several months from the real issues that deserve to be tried, to me. That would not serve the taxpayers of the Town of East Haven.

I am committed to having Mr. Gallo's ultimate status determined as soon as possible and to having the issues surrounding the charges leveled against him heard. Permit me to re-visit my Statement from last week:

Mr. Gallo is to be afforded all the process that is due to him under the law, I am confident that the judicial process contemplated will afford fairness to all parties.

There will be no further comment on this matter by me or by my Administration, as it remains a personnel matter.

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