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   Re: Chad Hardy

Dear Steve:

   As I indicated to you in a phone message a few days ago, this office represents the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in relation to the issues raised in your letter of November 21, 2008, to Lyman Kirkland and Frank Davie. I do not respond to the factual allegations appearing in your letter; the Church disagrees with many of those allegations. But I do want to respond to the specific requests in your letter.

   First, you request a confirmation that Mr. Hardy was excommunicated for his involvement with the calendar that he published. The Church believes that the process and grounds for a member's excommunication are confidential. I have been authorized to tell you, however, that Mr. Hardy was excommunicated for the reasons explained to him at the July 13, 2008 disciplinary council and for the reasons set forth in Mr. Davie's letter to Chad Hardy, dated July 16, 2008.

   Because of the confidential nature of the disciplinary process, and out of respect for Mr. Hardy himself, the Church does decline to disclose anything further about his excommunication.

   Second, your letter asks for all documentation pertaining to the Church's disciplinary action with respect to Mr. Hardy. Because the Church believes that the disciplinary process must remain completely confidential, it is unwilling to provide you or Mr. Hardy with further documentation about Mr. Hardy's excommunication.

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If you would like to discuss these issues, I'd be happy to meet with you at any time.

Very truly yours,

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