

Exhibit G — Category Error: Door-Propping ≠ (is not equal to) Vandalism/Property Damage

Purpose. Show that (1) discipline must be tied to a **written** rule; and (2) equating a briefly held-open door with vandalism/property damage is a mistake.

Controlling authority (quotes):

- “Elected officers may impose and enforce fines and penalties against members **for violations of the by-laws, rules, or procedures.**” — By-Laws, Art. III §6(b).
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- “The Board shall maintain a set of **written rules and procedures**... A **2/3 vote** of the elected officers... is required to adopt, interpret, amend, or repeal such rules or procedures.” — By-Laws, Art. V §1.
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- “**Give each other the benefit of the doubt**... Board members can help facilitate dialog. **Observe** club policies, procedures, and regulations.” — Procedures, Code of Conduct (p. 20).
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- “Members may **enter** the Club between **4:00 am and 9:00 pm**; all members must **leave** the Club by **11:00 pm**.” — Procedures, Facility Use (p. 23).
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President’s stated position (email). “The Board is not agreeing to base its decision on whether a rule explicitly forbade your conduct.” (*Sept. 2025 email on this thread.*)

Analysis.

- **Discipline must be tied to a written rule.** The By-Laws limit penalties to **violations of written by-laws, rules, or procedures**; absent a cited written provision in force on Aug. 19, a suspension is not authorized.
- **Category error.** Breaking a window is per se destructive and intentional. Holding a door briefly can be benign, operational, or inadvertent. In an uncoded area, the Code’s “**benefit of the doubt**” principle calls for a policy reminder and **prospective** rulemaking—not a 60-day suspension.

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- **Evidence limits & hours.** The video does not establish intent or any plan to leave the door open for a specific duration. And **9:15 pm** is within permitted **presence** hours (entry allowed until 9:00 pm; **leave by 11:00 pm**), so an “after-hours” aggravator does not apply.

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Requested remedy. Withdraw the 60-day suspension; alternatively, convert to a **neutral, non-disciplinary policy reminder**, and, if desired, adopt a clear **prospective door policy** with signage and member notice.

Nothing in this exhibit is an admission of identity, intent, or conduct.