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To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Milwaukee Room 205 – City Hall

Re: Estate of Justin Fields v. Nawotka, et al.

Case No. 03-C-1450

Dear Council Members:

THOMASO. GARTNER **BRUCE D. SCHRIMPF** SUSAN D. BICKERT STUART S. MUKAMAL THOMAS J. BEAMISH MAURITA F. HOUREN JOHN J. HEINEN DAVID J. STANOSZ SUSAN E. LAPPEN JAN A. SMOKOWICZ **PATRICIA A. FRICKER HEIDI WICK SPOERL KURT A. BEHLING GREGG C. HAGOPIAN ELLEN H. TANGEN MELANIE R. SWANK** JAY A. UNO RA DONALD L. SCHRIEFER **EDWARD M. EHRLICH** LEONARD A. TOKUS MIRIAM R. HORWITZ **MARYNELL REGAN** G. O'SULLIVAN-CROWLEY KATHRYN Z. BLOCK **MEGAN T. CRUMP** ELOISA DE LEÓN ADAM B. STEPHENS **KEVIN P. SULLIVAN** BETH CONRADSON CLEARY THOMAS D. MILLER **HEIDI E. GALVÁN** JARELY M. RUIZ **ROBIN A. PEDERSON** Assistant City Attorneys

Enclosed is a substitute resolution recommending settlement of the above-referenced matter, along with a second, new resolution, which would authorize contingent borrowing to fund the settlement. We ask that both resolutions be referred to the appropriate committee or committees for review.

This case stems from a police-involved shooting, which occurred on March 2, 2003. The plaintiff is the Estate of the decedent, Justin Fields. We have conducted significant discovery and other work regarding this matter, and we also mediated the case before a United States Magistrate Judge. Pursuant to the mediation process, we recommend settlement of all claims, along with all related attorneys fees and costs, for the total amount of \$1,600,000. As noted above, we have enclosed an appropriate substitute resolution and a new resolution, along with a fiscal note, for your reference.

Very truly yours,

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SEL:enm Enclosures

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