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

Re: Communication from LAQUISHA CROOK
C.I. File No. 1048-2015-741

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a proposed resolution. We ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation, with the following recommendation.

Claimant, LaQuisha Crook, 7655 West Hustis Street, Milwaukee, WI 53223, alleges that on November 28, 2014 there was a water leak in the street. Subsequently, the water backed up into the basement of her home and she sustained damages. Claimed damages total \$17,110.00.

Milwaukee Water Works (MWW) records indicate that on November 28, 2014 their control center received a call from a Sanitation employee regarding a leak in the street at 7655 West Hustis Street. The MWW dispatched a utility investigator who confirmed a leak on a 2 inch air vent at this location and throttled the main. There were no other calls regarding this leak and it did not appear to be causing a problem. The MWW then decided to hold this repair for a later date. On December 2, 2014, they received a call from the claimant regarding a leak in the street that she believes caused a crack in her foundation. The MWW contacted digger's hotline to mark the underground facilities in the area and made the necessary repairs. The MWW indicates that it is possible that the claimant's property was damaged as a result of their activity.



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The claimant has agreed to accept a compromised settlement of \$9,530.00. Because settlement of this matter is deemed expeditious to the City of Milwaukee, we recommend settlement of this claim and have enclosed an appropriate resolution for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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