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

RE: Communications from ATTORNEY JASON RICHARDS
on behalf of CAITLIN HAGNESS
C.I. File. No. 1032-2020-1202

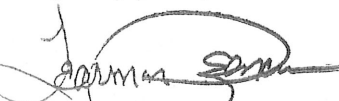
Dear Sir or Madam:

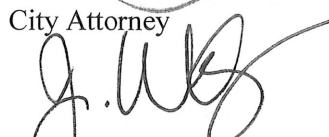
Attorney Jason Richards on behalf of Caitlin Hagness has submitted a claim in the amount of \$25,000.00, for injuries she allegedly sustained when she was arrested during a protest on May 31, 2020, near North Oakland Avenue and East Newport Avenue.

Our investigation revealed that on May 31, 2020 the Mayor of Milwaukee declared a State of Emergency Curfew between the hours of 7 pm to 7 am. Because Ms. Hagness was in violation of the Mayor's Proclamation, she was arrested and taken to District 2 for processing. She was subsequently issued a citation and released from the District.

The Milwaukee Police Department were acting within the sphere of their responsibility while enforcing the Mayor's Proclamation. There is no evidence that the police officers acted inappropriately in this case. Therefore, the City would not be liable for damages and we recommend that the claim be denied.

Very truly yours,


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