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Honorable Common Council
City Hall, Room 205

**Re: Resolution authorizing settlement of claims in the lawsuit
entitled *Walgreen Co. v. City of Milwaukee***

Dear Honorable Council Members:

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

The above-referenced lawsuit was commenced by Walgreen Co. ("Plaintiff"). The Plaintiff claimed that for the 2016 tax year, the City excessively assessed two Walgreen stores located in the City. The Plaintiff sought a partial refund of property taxes previously paid in the amount of \$25,250. The Plaintiff and the City Assessor have agreed to a reduced assessment amount for these two stores, which results in a partial refund of taxes to the Plaintiff in the amount of \$19,538.88. Although the City would initially have to pay this amount, after the Wisconsin Department of Revenue charges back the reduction in assessments to the other taxation districts, the City's portion of the refund will only be approximately \$6,500.

In consultation with the City Assessor, the City Attorney now recommends settlement of the matter. In exchange for the settlement and payment, the Plaintiff will stipulate to dismiss the case and release all claims against the City arising out of this matter.

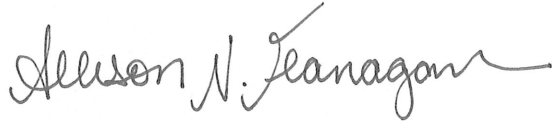


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