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May 17, 2021 S

Mr. Cecil Brewer 3053 North Sherman Blvd. Milwaukee, WI 53210 Marked 5-24-2021

RE:

Communication from Cecil Brewer

C.I. File No. 1029-2021-458

Dear Mr. Brewer:

The City of Milwaukee is in receipt of the claim for damages incurred as a result of a defect in a sidewalk or street while you were traveling at/near 2703 North Sherman Boulevard on February 20, 2021.

Wisconsin municipalities have discretionary immunity from liability for damage that is due to a defect in a sidewalk or street. The City takes any report of defective streets or sidewalks seriously and upon notice of any defect, the Department of Public Works sends a crew to investigate and/or patch, repair or barricade the hazard. Under discretionary immunity, the City is generally not liable for damages.

City records indicated that prior to February 20, 2021 the City had no notice of this hazard in the roadway. Because of this lack of notice, and the City's discretionary immunity, the City is not liable for your damages.

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,

TEARMAN SPENCER

City Attorney

STEVEN M. CARINI Investigator/Adjuster

SMC/cdr

c: James Washington (Infrastructure)

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ELLENY B. CHRISTOPOULOS TYRONE M. ST. JUNIOR HANNAH R. JAHN To Whom it may concern,

I am writing to you filing a claim for damages to tires on my car when I hit a pothole while driving south on Sherman Blvd between Hadley and Center St., on or about 2/20/21. The hole is at the south end of the church that's addressed 2703 N Sherman Blvd at the north end of the building and south end of their playground. That's the best that I can do to give the exact location of the hole. Enclosed please find a receipt for the replacement of 2 tires that were ruined on the passenger side of my car.

I am claiming this today after reading an article about claiming pothole damages. As I never have claimed before. I also reported the hole to the city for repair.

Thanking you in advance,

Sincerely,

Cecil Brewer

3053 N Sherman Blvd

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414-406-5845

PS

May tires were less than a year old at the time

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