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

RE: Communication from Chiab Hayes
C.I. File No. 1032-2020-682

Dear Common Council Members:

We return the enclosed document which has been filed with the City Clerk and ask that it be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation with the following recommendation.

On January 28, 2020, members of the Milwaukee Police Department's Tactical Enforcement Unit (TEU) conducted a no knock firearm and narcotics search warrant, in collaboration with the FBI Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Gang Task Force, at the residence of 2536 N. 53rd Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Members of TEU called out two subjects from the residence, identified as Demetrius Thompson and Chiab Hayes owner of said residence. During the search of the residence, officers located a corner cut bag of suspected marijuana in the toilet, numerous plastic bags missing corner and approximately \$14,000 in US currency. Ms. Hayes was issued citation number 6162524-4 for possession of Marijuana, and Mr. Thompson was administratively released, as he was on probation for Possession of a Controlled Substance-Heroin with intent. The FBI took custody of the monies.



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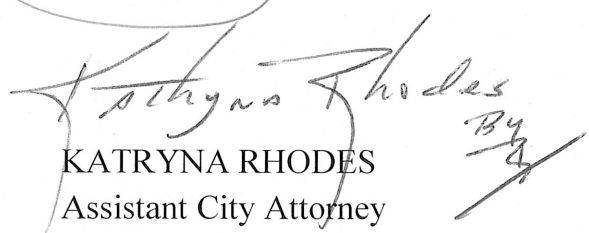
Ms. Hayes, property owner of 2536 N. 53rd Street, has filed a claim against the City for property damages consisting of damages to door, door frame, header, structure, side-lite window, front porch fascia, and garage door, in the amount \$15,370.85 and \$4,629.18 for pain and suffering.

The investigation of this matter revealed that the aforementioned agencies that were involved in the execution of the search warrant at 2536 N. 53rd Street on January 28, 2020, conducted themselves within the scope of their authority and departmental rules and procedures. There is no evidence that the Milwaukee Police Department's Tactical Enforcement Unit was negligent in this matter. As such, the City would not be liable for the damages being claimed by Ms. Hayes. Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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