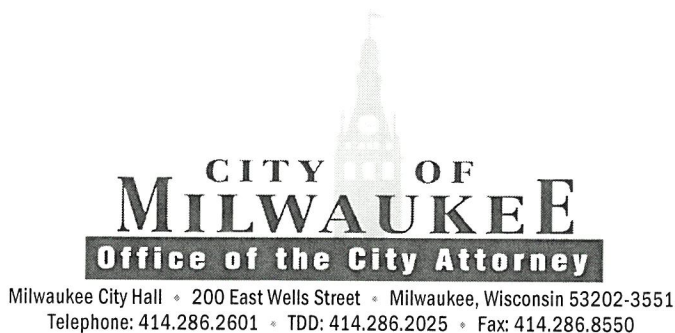


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The Honorable Common Council
of the City of Milwaukee
Room 205 – City Hall

RE: Communication from Attorney Nicholas Hermann on behalf of
BRANDEN WALKER
C.I. File No. 2025-002009

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a proposed resolution approving payment of \$250,000 to settle Branden Walker's injury claim arising from a loss that occurred on August 27, 2025.

Branden Walker through his attorney Nicholas Hermann of Gruber Law Offices, allege injuries sustained on August 27, 2025, when the lift gate unlatched of a DPW truck swung open and struck Mr. Walker causing injuries that required surgical care and intervention. The claimant has submitted a statement of itemized specials totaling \$118,952.60 and is seeking policy limits.

This matter has been fully investigated. Although liability is not in dispute, Wisconsin law provides that the maximum amount recoverable by any person for any damages, injuries or death resulting from the negligent operation of a motor vehicle owned and operated by a municipality is \$250,000, and recommend approval of the claim for this amount.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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