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

Re: Resolution relating to the claim of Lakeesha Robinson

C.I. File No. 07-L-74

Dear 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.

Claimant, Lakeesha Robinson, 3853 North 54<sup>th</sup> Boulevard, Milwaukee, WI 53216 alleges that on June 21, June 22 and July 14, 2007 she sustained damages when a City sewer backed-up into her basement. She claims damages in the amount of \$8,965.03.

Our investigation reveals that the Infrastructure Services Division records indicate that they responded to a call regarding a backwater at 3853 North 54<sup>th</sup> Boulevard on July 14, 2007 and found that the City's main sanitary sewer was clogged with grease and roots. The sewer was cleaned and restored to proper working order. The sewer was examined by a closed circuit television on July 16, 2007 and was found to be in good condition. This sewer is on a regular cleaning schedule and was last cleaned on February 1, 2006. Because the sewer was on a regular cleaning schedule and the City did not have any no-

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tice of problems with the sewer, the City cannot be held liable. Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

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