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To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of Milwaukee
Room 205 - City Hall

Re: Communication from Attorney Kenneth Murray for legal fees for
Police Officer Terrence Gilbert
C.I. File No. 00-S-261g


Dear Council Members:

Returned herewith is a document filed by Attorney Kenneth J. Murray for attorney's fees for representing Police Officer Terrence Gilbert. The claim is in the amount of \$924.00 for 8.40 hours of service billed at the rate of \$110 per hour. We ask that this matter be introduced and referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Legislation.

We have reviewed this claim and advise that in our opinion, the time spent was reasonable. Legal representation was occasioned by a criminal investigation. No criminal charges were brought against the Police Officer on whose behalf this claim was filed.

As we have advised you under similar circumstances in the past, the Common Council has discretion to reject this claim or to pay it in whole or in part. Sec. 895.35, Stats., *Bablitch and Bablitch v. Lincoln County*, 82 Wis. 2d 574 (1978).

Very truly yours,


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