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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 JAKE LEWIS, JR.
C.I. File No. 11-L-38

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, Jake Lewis, Jr., 524 West Burleigh Street, Milwaukee, WI 53212, alleges that on January 13, 2011, a Milwaukee Water Works (MWW) employee stole \$45,000 from a glass jar that was used to store the money in the basement of his home.

Our investigation reveals that the MWW came to the home on the date in question and conducted a meter exchange. The MWW records reflected that they had no contact with Mr. Lewis until he stopped into their offices regarding an adjustment to his municipal services bill. The MWW refused to make any adjustments and Mr. Lewis became angry at this denial.

The MWW also reviewed their records relative to the meter exchange. The only item removed from the home was the old water meter and the involved technician did not see the alleged jar containing the money. Since claimant did not present any evidence to support his belief and the MWW followed standard procedures in this matter, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

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