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

RE: Communication from SOVAJA KNOX
C.I. File No. 2025-002153

Dear Council Members:

Sovaja Knox submitted a claim in which he alleges wrongful arrest due to Milwaukee Police misconduct in connection with a domestic violence incident that occurred on September 14, 2025 at 4649 N. 29th Street. Mr. Knox is seeking \$1,000,000.00 in monetary damages to compensate for emotional distress, reputational harm, lost wages, attorney fees, and other damages he claims to have suffered as a direct result of this arrest.

According to the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) report, the incident involved Mr. Knox being an hour late to drop off his child to the child's mother, Ms. Katrina Adams, which led to an argument and a physical altercation. Following this, the child's mother, Ms. Adams, called 911. MPD arrived on scene and interviewed both Mr. Knox and Ms. Adams along with surrounding neighborhood witnesses that confirm Mr. Knox as the aggressor.

Additionally, there is an open Circuit Court case # 2025CM002830 related to this matter, which was initiated on September 16, 2025. A domestic abuse injunction is also currently in place between the parties. MPD also provided video evidence showing Ms. Adams in a wheelchair due to just recovering from leg surgery.



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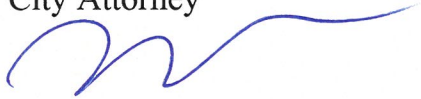
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Based on the findings of our investigation, it is our position that MPD was not negligent in this case and acted within their scope of their job duties. It is our position that the City of Milwaukee was not negligent in this matter. Therefore, we recommend that the claim submitted by Mr. Knox in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 be denied.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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