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January 21, 2025

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

RE:

Communication from J. RICHARD LAW, LLC on behalf of ALBERT GRAY

C.I. File No. 1030-2023-1944

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a proposed resolution. We ask that it be introduced and referred to the Judiciary and Legislation Committee with the following recommendation.

Attorney Jason S. Richard represents Albert Gray for injuries sustained as a result of an accident that occurred on August 25, 2023, at N. Teutonia Avenue and W. Villard Avenue, allegedly when a city truck made contact with his client's vehicle and caused damage. Attorney Richard submitted past medical bills in the amount of \$11,076.58, and total demand of \$50,000.

Our investigation reveals that a Fleet Services report was completed as part of this investigation and our driver did not recall striking the claimant's vehicle while traveling southbound on N. Teutonia Avenue at the intersection of W. Villard Avenue. Our driver indicated he made a proper right turn onto W. Villard Avenue and made no contact with any vehicles.

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Per Wisconsin Police Report J9L2TT97VD indicates that no damage observed was consistent with the alleged accident. Since there is no evidence that damage occurred as a result of a City vehicle, we cannot accept liability. As such, we recommend that the claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Evan C. Goyke

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/s/ Naomi E. Sanders

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