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February 5, 2021

Mr. Donald Doro 2850 South Wentworth Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53207

Communication from Donald Doro RE:

C.I. File No. 1068-2020-1373

Dear Mr. Doro:

We have received your claim in the amount of \$907.20, which resulted from a tree branch falling on your 2006 Toyota Highlander on August 25, 2020.

The Forestry Section of the City conducted and concluded their investigation of this matter. At the time of this incident, according to the National Weather Service (NOAA), winds were averaging 7.0 MPH with peak wind speeds at 47 MPH. Forestry Division received 97 calls for broken branches and other storm related issues on August 25, 2020.

Prior to this incident, Forestry had received no requests for service or damage claim on the 2800 block of S. Wentworth during August 2020. Service request history was reviewed for 2850 S. Wentworth Avenue going back to August 2010, two (2) Forestry related requests were found. The pruning of all trees in your geographical area was completed in May 2018.

In conclusion, there is no evidence that the City was negligent in this matter. As such, the City would not be liable for the damages being claimed. Therefore, we are denying your claim.





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If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk, 200 East Wells Street, Room 205, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. Please include a photocopy of this letter's envelope, showing the postmark, and retain the original in the event further proof is needed.

Very truly yours,

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