March 2, 2005

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

Re: Communication from Travelers Insurance

On behalf of Daryl Ferguson

C.I. File No. 05-L-68

## 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, Daryl Ferguson, 2221 North 33<sup>rd</sup> Street, Milwaukee, WI 53208, alleges through Travelers Insurance, by its representative Tammy J. Christiansen, Post Office Box 2954, Milwaukee, WI 53201-2954 as subrogee that on September 24, 2004 the claimant's property was damaged from a fire at a home owned by the City of Milwaukee located at 2227 North 33<sup>rd</sup> Street. They claim damages in the amount of \$9,056.47

Our investigation reveals that the Department of City Development acquired the property at 2225-27 North 33<sup>rd</sup> Street on July 14, 2004 via tax deed. The Milwaukee Fire Department records indicate that they were sent to the location to respond to a fire on September 24, 2004.

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They followed standard fire fighting procedures in combating the fire. The city and its employees acted properly in this matter and would not be liable. Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

GRANT F. LANGLEY City Attorney

MICHAEL G. TOBIN Assistant City Attorney

MGT:beg Enclosure 1050-2005-341:90707