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To the Honorable Common Council of the City of Milwaukee Room 205, City Hall 200 East Wells Street Milwaukee, WI 53202

Re: CCFN 030087 (Resolution authorizing cancellation of the City of Milwaukee's subrogation claim against Dennis J. Murphy for payments made pursuant to the City's Basic Health Plan.)

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a resolution authorizing the release of a subrogation claim against Dennis J. Murphy in exchange for a settlement payment of \$10,000.00.

Mr. Murphy filed a personal injury lawsuit for injuries suffered in an automobile collision, which occurred on June 13, 2001. The City has a claim against him for medical payments under the City's Basic Health Plan in a total amount of \$24,942.00.

As noted in the enclosed letter from counsel for WPS, the claims administrator for the Basic Health Plan, recovery of the full amount of the City's claim would require proof that all monies paid were for the purpose of treatment related to the automobile accident. There is evidence that Mr. Murphy had prior shoulder injuries and that he strained a muscle in his right shoulder while exercising a short time before the accident. The City's claim for services is in the amount of \$24,942.00. Under these circumstances, Mr. Murphy has offered \$10,000.00 in settlement of the City's claim. We recommend adoption of this resolution.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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