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

RE:

Resolution Authorizing Settlement in the lawsuit entitled

Demetrius Gohre v. Chad E. Boyack; et al.

Case No.: 22-CV-1403

Dear Council Members:

Enclosed please find a proposed resolution to approve a settlement for \$35,000.00 to settle the claims raised by Demetrius Gohre in the lawsuit *Demetrius Gohre v. Chad E. Boyack, et al.*, U.S. District Court Case No. 22-CV-1403, as well as a fiscal impact statement.

Plaintiff has alleged Fourth Amendment violations involving the stop and seizure of Mr. Gohre. The stop and seizure of the Plaintiff took place in 2017 and there is no body-worn cameras that capture the incident. The parties have extensively litigated this matter in the Eastern District of Wisconsin. The proposed resolution is within the parameters of settlement authority previously authorized.

Based on the status of these claims, it is the City Attorney's recommendation that the proposed settlement is in the City's best interest. In exchange for the settlement, Mr. Gohre will execute a settlement agreement and general release of all claims arising out of his lawsuit.

We request that this matter be assigned for a hearing in an open session before the Judiciary and Legislative Committee and the Finance and Personnel Committee in order to act.

Very truly yours,

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