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August 14, 2008

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

Re: Resolution relating to the claim of Shanita Catherine  
C.I. File No. 08-L-43

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, Shanita Catherine, 2405-A West Maple Street, Milwaukee, WI 53204 has filed a claim against the City of Milwaukee regarding the towing of her vehicle and damage to her vehicle's tire. She seeks damages in the amount of \$5,000.00

Our investigation reveals that Ms. Catherine's 1992 Oldsmobile was towed to the tow lot on January 23, 2008 for prohibited night parking and unpaid citations. The license plates on the vehicle at the time of tow had two citations written against them and they were over 30 days old. This made the vehicle eligible for towing. The tow records indicate that there was no visible damage to any tire at the location where the vehicle was parked; however, there is a notation of one flat tire when the vehicle arrived at the tow lot and when it was released to Ms. Catherine.

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The tire damage has been tendered to C.H.I. Towing, the City towing contractor. Since the City followed proper towing procedures in this matter, we recommend denial of this claim.

Very truly yours,

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