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May 30, 2025

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

RE:

Communication from Attorney Christopher Strohbehn on behalf of KELVYON HILL, MORHONDA HILL, KELVIN WILLIAMS, TONJA WILLIAMS

Communication from PROGRESSIVE on behalf of MARKISHA SMILEY

C.I. File Nos. 1032-2022-1389; 1032-2022-1390; 1032-2025-520

Dear Council Members:

Attorney Strohbehn has submitted the following demands on behalf of his clients regarding personal injuries sustained as a result of a motor vehicle accident that occurred on June 6, 2022, while Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) were in pursuit of a vehicle, and that vehicle refused to stop. Damage occurred after which MPD proceeded thru the intersection on a red traffic light at intersection of N. Teutonia Avenue and W. Capitol Drive;

- Kelvin Williams personal injuries, past pain and suffering and loss of earning capacity \$7,500,000.
- Tonja Williams- Loss of family income, lost wages and loss of society and companionship of Kelvin Williams \$250,000.
- Kelvyon Hill Loss of income, pain & suffering, and permanent emotional stress \$250,000.
- Morhanda Hill -Loss of income, pain and suffering and permanent emotional distress \$250,000.

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Our investigation-determined liability is clear, however, the notice of claim submitted by Progressive Insurance on behalf of Markisha Smiley for property damage in the amount of \$12,556.53, was filed on the clerk's office on February 24, 2025. This service of notice was filed untimely in accordance to Wis. Stat. § 893.80(1)(d) and is denied.

The amount of damages submitted by Attorney Strohenhen on behalf of his clients' exceed the Wisconsin statutory cap, and did not include documentation to substantiate the damages being claimed. As such, we recommend these claim(s) be denied.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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