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Milwaukee City Clerk 200 East Wells Street

OFFICE OF CITY ATTORNEY

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Room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: C.I. File No:

00-S-458

Your Insureds:

James & Pennie Wix

Your Claim No.:

00-601-266138-325

(Damages caused by City of Milwaukee - fallen, Tree limbs to 1997 Buick)

Dear Sir(s) /Ms:

The City of Milwaukee, Forest Division reported it does not have any records regarding our "alleged incident." Their records indicated that the City of Milwaukee experienced a windstorm with winds in excess of 50 mph on May 24, 2000. The City of Milwaukee, Forest Division also Stated that our loss occurred, as a result of high winds and was not in any way related to negligence by the City of Milwaukee and accordingly are denying our claim.

Our Insurance Company passed this information on to us after receiving many referrals by your agency. The City of Milwaukee, Forest Division stated, they would look into our subrogation claim in the amount of \$781.43 arising form damages sustained to our car by a City tree on May 24, 2000 at 3100 South 37th Street.

The reason that the City of Milwaukee, Forest Division does not have any records regarding our "alleged incident" is because my husband made a 911 call to the City of Milwaukee, Police Department that afternoon. Afterwards, two Motorcycle Police Officers arrived on the scene and advised us to contact our insurance company, American Family Insurance and City of Milwaukee. They stated that in a case like this we would not get a report of this incident and this was a City of Milwaukee Claim. Our car was legally parked at the curb on S 37th Street in front of the doctor's office. Witnesses included: Eye Doctor, Dr. Keske, and his receptionist, my husband and I and two police officers. One police officer, my husband noted as, one of the officers from Jeffrey Dahmer's case. He saw the officer's, name tag and remembered his name from this case. Both my husband and I know that if you call a 911 number, it is recorded. There is a record of this call and it is not an alleged claim.

Since when, is the weather grounds for the City of Milwaukee not to take care of their obligation to pay for a claim but another Bill, as usual for the taxpayer? This is just another example the Abuse of the Working Poor.

During this season, we have had numerous windstorms, ice storms, snow storms, rain storms, you name it storms.

Here are more valid reasons why we are appealing this:

a) We were reported by one our neighbors for our tree limb hanging (on our property) after one of the, so-called, "storms" and we were ordered by the City of Greenfield to get it fixed. (Enclosed please find a copy of our bill from last year, totaling (\$316.80) What if this tree limb fell on a neighbor? We are responsible. What if our tree limb falls on a car? We are responsible.

What happens when a tree limbs fall on our car legally parked on the street? Nothing, it's an act of God.or just bad weather and you (the taxpayer) must pay for it.

- b) My husband has not been employed for 1 year and is still recovering from an operation for kidney cancer. I am the only one working and I'm expected to pay this.
- c) Why am I being forced by the City of Milwaukee to pay, \$781.43 in fees? I am completely overwhelmed by bills. (high deductible and car repairs.) I also pay for our car insurance annually and it is now due. I will not even bother to go into the cost for this.
- d) The City Milwaukee, Forest Division is notified by Police Officers on the scene whenever there is an accident to trees etc. The information is reported by the Police Officers to them but in the taxpayer(s)'s case, nothing is reported or given to them for evidence. My husband, a former law enforcement officer and I Driver license examiner were uncomfortable with this. We are use to some type of documentation.

If we, as taxpayers take care of our obligations, we feel the City of Milwaukee should likewise take care of their obligations.

To take the time off from work to go to a hearing and lose a day's pay, may still be worth the risk of gaining \$781.43. (More than weeks pay)

Sincerely,

Pennie Wix

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### AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE GROUP

440 S EXECUTIVE DR • BROOKFIELD WI 53005-4280 • PHONE: (262) 784-9100, 784-2933 • FAX: (262) 784-3828 Mailing Address: PO BOX 2927 • MILWAUKEE WI 53201-2927

December 18, 2000

City Hall 200 E. Wells St. Room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202

### **NOTICE OF CLAIM**

RE: Our Claim Number:

00-601-266138-325

Our Policy Number:

07-324767-02

Our Insured:

James B & Pennie G Wix

Date of Loss:

May 24, 2000

### To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing you regarding a loss that occurred on May 24, 2000. Our insured's vehicle was parked on the street on 3100 S. 37th, across from the side door of her optician's office, Dr. Paul Kesker. When Mrs. Wix came out of the office she saw that a tree limb had fallen and caused damage to her vehicle. She did make a 911 call. The police came on their motorcycles, but were unable to write a report due to their findings that the tree was a city tree. Mrs. Wix was directed to contact her insurance, which she did. We are now trying to find for reimbursement for damages. Enclosed you will find a copy of the final bill paid and proof of payment.

If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call at (262) 784-2933 ext. 48373.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully,

Kimberly Cooper

Casualty Claim Representative

Milwaukee South Branch

## **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**



Wisconsin Arborist Association National Arborist Association International Society of Arboriculture

# DORSHAK FAMILY TREE SERVICE, INC.

P.O. BOX 250358 • MILWAUKEE, WI 53225-0610

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REFLECTIONS AUTO BODY, INC. 1804 EAST LAYTON AVENUE

ST. FRANCIS WI 53235 OFFICE: (414) 482-2110 FAX: (414) 482-0025 THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE PEOPLE - WE GUARANTEE OUR WORK IN WRITING

CD LOG NO 0009390 DATE 06/15/00

SHOP CONTACT: MIKE

INSP DATE 05/25/00

OWNER PENNIE WIX 4441 S 68TH ST ADDRESS CITY STATE GREENFIELD WI

53220

HOME PHONE WORK PHONE

601-266138 CLAIM# INSURED PENNIE WIX

POINT OF IMPACT 16

AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE INS CO

ADDRESS 440 S EXECUTIVE DRIVE CITY STATE BROOKFIELD 53008-0988

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(414)604-0892

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ACCT'NG CTL#

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I=REPAIR/ALIGN/SUBLET TE=PART/PARTIAL REPLACE AA=APPEARANCE ALLOWANCE

\*=USER ENTERED VALUE

TREE LIMB FELL ON CAR 3/4 DAY REPAIR BUFF IS TRUNK/ R QT/ FRT COVER LSIDE BLACK APPT SET 6/5 DONE 6/8 FINAL BILL PICTURES MAILED \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

1997 BUICK LESABRE CUSTOM 4 DR SEDAN

S4333A/B OPTNS A/2BCJDE

OPTIONS:

TWO-STAGE - EXTERIOR SURFACES ELEC REMOTE CONTROL MIRRORS

POWER DOOR LOCKS

POWER FRONT SEATS

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## BUICK LESABRE CUSTOM 4 DR SEDAN CD LOG NO 0009390

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BUICK LESABRE CUSTOM 4 DR SEDAN CD LOG NO 0009390

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\*\*\*NOTICE\*\*\*

AFTERMARKET OR REPLACEMENT PARTS OTHER THEN OEM ARE IDENTIFIED BY THE WORDS "QUALITY REPLACEMENT PART" OR "ECONOMY PART". YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE CAN EXPLAIN FURTHER.
USED PARTS ARE IDENTIFIED BY THE WORDS "SALVAGE PART"
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THIS ESTIMATE HAS BEEN PREPARED BASED ON THE USE OF ONE OR MORE REPLACEMENT PARTS SUPPLIED BY A SOURCE OTHER THAN THE MANUFACTURER OF YOUR MOTOR VEHICLE. WARRANTIES APPLICABLE TO THESE REPLACEMENT PARTS ARE PROVIDED BY THE MANUFACTURER OR DISTRIBUTOR OF THE REPLACEMENT PARTS RATHER THAN BY THE MANUFACTURER OF YOUR MOTOR VEHICLE.