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

Re:

Communication from LaRosa Woods on behalf of Shadaye Woods C.I. File No. 03-S-369

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, Shadaye Woods, 1319 North 23rd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53205, alleges through her mother, LaRosa Woods, also of the same address, that on July 30, 2003 she was jumping rope when she fell and sustained injuries when she hit her chin on a Water Stop Box which was missing its cover at 1319 North 23rd Street. They claim damages in the amount of \$120,000.00.

Our investigation reveals that the Milwaukee Water Works records indicate that they were notified of a possible problem with the stop box at 1319 North 23rd Street on July 31, 2003. A Water Works crew was sent to the location on the same day. The crew found the stop box cover

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was missing and replaced it. Because the City was not notified of a problem with the stop box prior to this incident, the City would not be liable. Accordingly, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

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MGT:beg Enclosure

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