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May 22, 2006

To the Honorable Judiciary and Legislation Committee Common Council, City of Milwaukee Room 205 – City Hall

Re: Resolution authorizing settlement of Lawsuit, Jon Jacobson v. Milwaukee Water Works, et al.; Case No. 04-CV-008880

Dear Committee Members:

Enclosed is a proposed resolution authorizing a settlement of \$8,000.00 in the above case.

On August 29, 2003 an employee of Milwaukee Water Works was repairing a hydrant at North 2<sup>nd</sup> and West Chambers Street. The employee noticed that a part of the hydrant was leaking. He attempted to repair the leak without turning off the water supply to the hydrant. As he was working on the hydrant, water shot out of the valve, and struck Jon Jacobson. Mr. Jacobson was pushed into a stop sign, and claimed back injuries.

Medical bills totaled \$7,595.00. Our employee may have been negligent in failing to turn off the hydrant before making a repair. Plaintiff has agreed to accept \$8,000.00 in settlement of this case. We recommend payment of this settlement.

Very truly yours,

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