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June 1, 2015

Re:

Ms. Sarah Kochanski 3330 West Lakefield Drive Milwaukee, WI 53215

C.I. File No. 1029-2015-1394

Communication from SARAH KOCHANSKI

Dear Ms. Kochanski:

The City of Milwaukee is in receipt of the claim for damages you incurred as a result of a defect in a sidewalk or street in or near the area of the 35th Street Bridge between W. Manitoba and W. Kinnickinnic River Parkway.

Based on 2011 Wisconsin Act 132, Wisconsin municipalities are immune from liability for any damage that occurs on or after April 5, 2012 due to a defect in a sidewalk or street. Although the city is immune from liability for damages, the city takes any report of defective streets or sidewalks seriously. Therefore, your claim has been forwarded to the Department of Public Works so city staff may inspect the area in question and repair any defect as promptly as possible.

For the reasons stated above, we are denying your claim. If you wish to appeal this decision, you may do so by sending a written statement requesting a hearing within 21 days of the postmarked date of this letter to the Milwaukee City Clerk,

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Very truly yours,

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