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

Re: C.I. File No. 1029-2018-1603

Communication from: Society Insurance by its representative

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Society Insurance alleges that on July 3, 2018 their insured's worker sustained injuries when she tripped and fell on a defective sidewalk at 2968 North 9th Street. Claimed damages total \$10,000.00.

Wisconsin municipalities have discretionary immunity from liability for any damage that is due to a defect in a sidewalk or street. Under discretionary immunity, the City is generally not liable for damages.

City records indicated that prior to July 3, 2018 the City had no notice of this hazard in the sidewalk. Because of this lack of notice, and the City's discretionary immunity, the City is not liable for the damage. Therefore, we recommend that this claim be denied.

Very truly yours,

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