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

Re: Resolution relating to the claim of Robert Williams

C.I. File No. 09-L-34

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, Robert Williams, by his insurance company, Farmers Insurance, by Timothy Lock, Auto Subrogation Representative, P.O. Box 268992, Oklahoma City, OK 73126-8992, allege that on February 12, 2009 Mr. Williams' vehicle was damaged when he struck a pothole at West Burleigh Street and West Lisbon Avenue, Milwaukee, WI. They claim damages in the amount of \$17,975.72.

Our investigation reveals that the Infrastructure Service Division (ISD) reviewed their records and the records of the DPW Call Center relative to this incident. This ISD found they have had patching operations in this area, however, the winter weather has hampered the repair work and the ability of the patch materials to remain in the repair. The ISD followed its normal procedures and it was acting within the City's discretion. As such, we recommend denial of this claim.

Very truly yours,

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JAS:beg Enclosure 1030-2009-839:147853