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To Whom It May Concern:

I received a letter from the City of Milwaukee denying a claim for a 1997 Chevy Lumina that was trapped in the rain storm and submerged with water, that ended up totaling the car. On June 19, 2009 at 1 a.m. as I stated in the last letter my car was totaled due to the City not notifying the (ISD) Infrastructure Services Division that there was built-up debris that clogged up their grates.

The letter I received denying my claim states that the City contacted the (ISD) at 1:45 a.m. because of clogged catch basins on West Capitol Drive from 35<sup>th</sup> to North 32<sup>nd</sup>. It clearly states that a sewer jet opened six basins that had debris on their grates at the time my car was submerged in water. It then goes on to say that after the claim was filed the ISD checked all the basins in the area and found them to be properly working after the claim was filed, it didn't say that the basins were properly working on June 19, 2009 at 1 a.m. because if the basin was properly working then the ISD shouldn't have had to come out at 1:45 a.m. 45 min. after my car was submerged in water and totaled. In this appeal I'm asking who's at fault? Is it Kambi Washington's fault for trusting the city of Milwaukee to prevent such a thing from happening, or is it the (ISD) fault for coming out 45 minutes later and opening the basin? Who's fault is it? The City is at fault and if the call was made to the ISD early that day knowing the amount of rain Milwaukee was due to get a lot of people would still have personal transportation. Due to this incident I couldn't trade my car in for Cash for Clunkers because my car was totaled due to the basins not being unclogged. I can't file a claim with FEMA because the City was at fault and can't put in a claim with FEMA because it was their fault, so who's fault is it???

Kambi Washington  
2221 West Keefe Avenue  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53206  
414-617-0680  
414-873-7258  
[KambiWashington@yahoo.com](mailto:KambiWashington@yahoo.com)

CITY OF MILWAUKEE  
2009 AUG 27 PM 12:56  
RONALD D. LEONHART  
CITY CLERK

July 07, 2009

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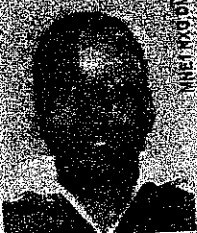
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*Kambi Washington July 7, 2009*

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**WISCONSIN**



WISCONSIN DRIVER LICENSE

**W252-5138-0796-04**

Class D

Sex F Hair BLK Eyes BLK Height 5'06" Weight 150

DOB 08-16-1980

Issued 03-03-2008

Expires 08-16-2009

**KAMB M**

**WASHINGTON**

2776 N 56TH ST

MILWAUKEE, WI 53210

*Kamb M Washington*  
DUPLICATE

# WISCONSIN CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

Vehicle Identification Number <b>2G1WL52M9V9208883</b>		Year <b>1997</b>	Make <b>CHEVROLET</b>		
Title Number <b>07270T138003-9</b>	Issue Date <b>09/27/2007</b>	Chassis Type <b>AUTO</b>	Odometer Reading <b>78732</b>	Odometer Status <b>ACTUAL</b>	Odometer Date <b>02/25/2000</b>
Product Number <b>30762072672</b>	Body Style <b>4DR SEDAN</b>	Color <b>GRAY</b>	Fleet No.		

## Titled Owner(s)

WASHINGTON KAMBI M  
21425A SPRING ST  
UNION GROVE, WI 53182

The person, firm or corporation named on this Title is the lawful owner of the vehicle described, subject to any Security Interest (liens) shown. The order in which the Lien Holders appear on this Title does not necessarily represent their priority. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation will not be responsible for false or fraudulent odometer statements made in the assignment of the Certificate of Title or for errors in reporting mileage, brand disclosures or the history of the vehicle. The department has no actual knowledge about the history of the vehicle and makes no warranty that the title brands or mileage disclosures on prior titles have been carried forward onto this document.

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## Lien Holder(s)

NONE

## Additional Vehicle Detail

PREVIOUSLY TITLED IN: GA

EXEMPT FROM ODOMETER - 10 YEARS OLD

**SELLER:** When the vehicle is sold, complete the ASSIGNMENT OF CERTIFICATE OF TITLE on the top back of this title and deliver the title to the purchaser with the vehicle. You may wish to retain a copy of this title with the purchaser's information and signature as proof of sale for your records.

**PURCHASER:** Apply for a new title with the Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles immediately. To legally operate this vehicle, you are required to register it with the Division of Motor Vehicles.



MAIL ADDRESS:  
Wisconsin Department of Transportation  
PO Box 7949, Madison, WI 53707-7949

QUESTIONS:  
Contact the Division of Motor Vehicles at:  
414-226-1148, 608-261-2583, 800-924-3570  
[www.dot.wisconsin.gov](http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov)

6-3-5172094

KEEP IN SAFE PLACE

DO NOT KEEP IN VEHICLE

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RECEIPT

DATE	9-22-07	No.	428624
RECEIVED FROM	KAMBI WASHINGTON		\$286 <sup>30</sup>
			DOLLARS
FOR RENT	97 LUMINA #2340		
FOR			
ACCOUNT	2812 30	<input checked="" type="radio"/> CASH	FROM
PAYMENT		<input type="radio"/> MONEY ORDER	TO
BAL. DUE		<input type="radio"/> CHECK	BY
		<input type="radio"/> CREDIT CARD	

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – TOW LOT  
3811 West Lincoln Avenue – Milwaukee, WI 53215  
Ph: (414) 286-2700 – Fax: (414) 286-5093  
TDD: (414) 286-2025

NOTICE DATE: 6/23/2009

WASHINGTON KAMBI M  
2221 W KEEFE AVE  
MILWAUKEE, WI 53206

Disposition Date: 07/29/2009  
BID NUMBER: 2502  
TOW NUMBER: 1409198  
DATE OF TOW: 06/19/2009  
LICENSE NUMBER: WI 125MAU  
VEHICLE YEAR AND MAKE: 97 CHEV  
VIN NUMBER: 2G1WL52M9V9208883  
TOW ADDRESS: 3300CAPITOLWDR  
REGISTERED OWNER: WASHINGTON KAMBI M  
VIN OWNER: SAME

#### SECOND NOTICE - CERTIFIED NOTICE OF VEHICLE DISPOSAL

The vehicle listed above has been towed and impounded at the City of Milwaukee Tow Lot located at 3811 W. Lincoln Avenue, Milwaukee Wisconsin and has been unclaimed for 7 days.

Pursuant to Section 105-65 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances, your vehicle has been appraised and found to have a scrap value of more than \$200. You have until the close of business on the above listed RECLAMATION DATE to reclaim your vehicle or it will be sold or destroyed by the City of Milwaukee. (If the reclamation date is a Sunday or a holiday, you have until the close of the next business day to reclaim your vehicle.) PLEASE ACT PROMPTLY!

**YOUR FAILURE TO RECLAIM THE VEHICLE SHALL BE DEEMED A WAIVER OF ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN THE VEHICLE AND CONSENT TO THE SALE OF THE VEHICLE BY THE CITY.**

You may obtain your vehicle at 3811 W. Lincoln Avenue any time during regular business hours.

The Tow Lot hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to Noon. The Tow Lot is closed on the following holidays: January 1<sup>st</sup>, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and December 31.

#### TO RECLAIM YOUR VEHICLE, YOU MUST BRING THE FOLLOWING TO THE TOW LOT:

- A) Vehicle title (must be in owner's name).
- B) A valid driver's license (if you are driving the vehicle from the lot). If you do not have a driver's license, you must have a photo ID and be accompanied by someone with a valid driver's license.
- C) To retrieve a vehicle on behalf of an owner, you must have the vehicle title, a driver's license or photo ID and be accompanied by someone with a valid license and have a signed, notarized letter or release form from the vehicle owner authorizing you to pick up the vehicle. The notarized letter and release form must identify the vehicle by color, make, model, VIN, license plate number and tow number. Insurance companies and tow companies must have a notarized letter or signed release form.
- D) Cash, cashier's check, money order, VISA or MasterCard are accepted for payment. The vehicle reclamation fee is \$95 plus \$20 per-day for storage. You are not required to pay for open citations in order to reclaim your vehicle.

You may reclaim loose or personal property from within the vehicle by presenting proof of ownership and a valid picture ID at the tow lot. Personal property in the vehicle will be returned free of charge during posted business hours, but will be destroyed if your vehicle is unclaimed.

TO DISPUTE THE LEGALITY OF YOUR TOW, YOU MAY OBTAIN A REVIEW BY THE CITY ATTORNEY AT 951 N. JAMES LOVELL STREET, ROOM 205.

If you are no longer the owner or lien holder of this vehicle, or have any questions about this notice, please contact the City of Milwaukee Tow Lot at (414) 286-2700 during the business hours listed above.