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Alderman, Ashanti Hamilton, Chair Judiciary and Legislation Committee City Hall – Room 205

Re: Semi-Annual Claims & Litigation Reports

Dear Alderman Hamilton:

Pursuant to your letter of June 9, 2005 and Section 304-7, Milw. Code of Ordinances, ss. 2(f) requesting the submission of semiannual reports as to the determination and disposition of all claims filed during the preceding period, the following reports are being submitted for the Committee's review. The first report is a Semi-Annual Report of All Claims Pending and Closed through June 30, 2009. The report lists the following information:

Total number of claims pending - 1,037 Total number of claims closed - 534 Total amount of claims denied - 245 Total amount of settlements - \$384,167.86

Also, attached is a Semi-Annual Report of Litigation Matters closed through June 30, 2009 and their disposition. The report lists the following information:

Total number of cases pending - 410

Total number of cases closed - 403

Total number of cases closed without payment - 384<sup>1</sup>

Total number of cases settled - 27

Total amount of settlements - \$3,052,745.56<sup>2</sup>

Total amount of settlements against the City - \$2,939,914.91

<sup>1</sup> Not all litigation matters with a payment between 01/01/09 and 06/30/09 have been closed in the Prolaw database as of this point in time.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A settlement again the City in the amount of \$807,376.33 was paid by Tax Assessor funds, and one for \$15,644.59 was paid by MPS. The \$1.6 million settlement against the City in the Fields case was paid for using Contingent Borrowing, \$533,333.33 of the total settlement amount was paid in 2009.

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Total number of settlements against the City - 22
Total amount of settlements for the City - \$112,830.65
Total number of settlements for the City - 5
Total number of cases resulting in judgments - 9
Total number of judgments against the City - 1
Total amount of judgments against the City - \$850.00
Total number of judgments for the City - 8
Total amount of judgments for the City - \$12,038.87

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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Very truly yours,

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