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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

RE: Dodson, Tiani and Lois Dodson v City of Detroit, et al.
Case No: 20-12056
File No: L20-00742 SVD

We have reviewed the above-captioned lawsuit, the facts and particulars of which are set forth in a confidential memorandum that is being separately hand-delivered to each member of Your Honorable Body. From this review, it is our considered opinion that a settlement in the amount of **TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$200,000.00)** is in the best interest of the City of Detroit.

We, therefore, request authorization to settle this matter in the amount of **TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$200,000.00)** and that Your Honorable Body direct the Finance Director to issue a draft in the amount of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$100,000.00)** payable to **TIANI DODSON** and **HER** attorney, **AKEEL & VALENTINE, PLC**; and a draft in the amount of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$100,000.00)** payable to **LOIS DODSON** and **HER** attorney, **ERNST LAW FIRM, PLC**; to be delivered upon receipt of properly executed Releases and Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 20-12056, approved by the Law Department.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah V. Domin
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Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel

APPROVED:
CONRAD MALLET
Corporation Counsel

BY: /s/Jerry L. Ashford
Jerry L. Ashford
Chief of Litigation

Attachments

R E S O L U T I O N

BY COUNCIL MEMBER _____ :

RESOLVED, that settlement of the above matter be and is hereby authorized in the amount of **TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$200,000.00)**; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper account in the amount of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$100,000.00)** payable to **TIANI DODSON** and **HER** attorney, **AKEEL & VALENTINE, PLC**; and a separate warrant in the amount of **ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ^{NO}/CENTS (\$100,000.00)** payable to **LOIS DODSON** and **HER** attorney, **ERNST LAW FIRM, PLC**; in full payment for any and all claims which Tiani Dodson and Lois Dodson may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged constitutional violations sustained on or about November 9, 2019, and otherwise set forth in Case No. 20-12056, that said amounts be paid upon receipt of properly executed Releases, Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 20-12056 and, where deemed necessary by the Law Department a properly executed Medicare/CMS Final Demand Letter.

APPROVED:
CONRAD MALLETT
Corporation Counsel

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