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**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**

RE: Versen, Eric v City of Detroit, et al  
Case No: 21-11545  
File No: L21-00558 CLR

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 <sup>NO</sup>/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 <sup>NO</sup>/Cents (\$200,000.00)** and that Your Honorable Body direct the Finance Director to issue a draft in that amount payable to Eric Versen, class representative, and his attorneys, Ernst Law Firm, PLC, to be delivered upon receipt of properly executed Releases and Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No.21-11545, approved by the Law Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl L. Ronk  
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 <sup>NO</sup>/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 favor of Eric Versen, representative of the class, and his attorney, Ernst Law Firm, PLC, in the amount of **Two Hundred Thousand Dollars and <sup>NO</sup>/Cents (\$200,000.00)** in full payment for any and all claims which Eric Versen, and any of the class members, may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained on or about, and otherwise set forth in Case No.21-11545, that said amount be paid upon receipt of properly executed Releases, Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 21-11545 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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Approved by City Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by the Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_