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**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**

RE: Knighton, Vitonakia Khalef v COD, Jason lord, and Cesar Quinonez  
Case No: 18-13809  
File No: L19-00041 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 **SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND <sup>NO</sup>/CENTS (\$74,500.00)** is in the best interest of the City of Detroit.

We, therefore, request authorization to settle this matter in the amount of **SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND <sup>NO</sup>/CENTS (\$74,500.00)** and that Your Honorable Body direct the Finance Director to issue a draft in that amount payable to **VITONAKIA KNIGHTON** and **HIS** attorneys, **JOEL B. SKLAR LAW**, to be delivered upon receipt of properly executed Releases and Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No.18-13809, approved by the Law Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cheryl L. Ronk  
Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel

**APPROVED:**  
CHARLES RAIMI  
Corporation Counsel

BY: /s/Yuvonne R. Bradley  
**Yuvonne R. Bradley**  
Supervising Assistant Corporation Counsel

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 **SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND <sup>NO</sup>/CENTS (\$74,500.00)**; 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 **VITONAKIA KNIGHTON** and **HIS** attorney, **JOEL B SKLAR LAW**, in the amount of **SEVENTY FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND <sup>NO</sup>/CENTS (\$74,500.00)** in full payment for any and all claims which **VITONAKIA KNIGHTON** may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained on or about 12/9/2017, and otherwise set forth in Case No.18-13809, that said amount be paid upon receipt of properly executed Releases, Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 18-13809 and, where deemed necessary by the Law Department a properly executed Medicare/CMS Final Demand Letter.

**APPROVED:**  
CHARLES RAIMI  
Corporation Counsel

BY: /s/Yuvonne R. Bradley  
**Yuvonne R. Bradley**  
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Approved by City Council: \_\_\_\_\_

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