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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

**RE: Duane Smith v Wayne County, et al
Civil Action No. 25-cv-12231**

Representation by the Law Department of the City employee or officer listed below is hereby **not recommended**, as we **do not** concur with the recommendation of the Head of the Department and believe that the City Council should not find and determine that the suit against the Defendant arises out of or involves the performance in good faith of the official duties of such Defendant. Further, we do not recommend that the City undertake to indemnify the Defendant if there is an adverse judgment. We, therefore, recommend a **“NO”** vote on the attached resolution.

Copies of the relevant documents are submitted under separate cover.

Employee or Officer requesting representation:

Retired Fire Investigator (Captain) Patrick McNulty

Respectfully submitted,

Conrad Mallett
Corporation Counsel

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Attachments

RESOLUTION

By Council Member _____:

RESOLVED, that the Law Department is hereby authorized under Section 13-11-1 et. seq. of the Municipal Code of the City of Detroit and in accordance with the foregoing communication to provide legal representation and indemnification to the following Employee or Officer in the lawsuit **Duane Smith v Wayne County, et al; Civil Action No. 25-cv-12231:**

Retired Fire Investigator (Captain) Patrick McNulty

APPROVED:

BY:



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