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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Report on the Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claims and Miscellaneous Claims under \$10,000.00

Dear Sir:

The following matters were settled upon the recommendation of the Director of Human Resources and the approval of the Executive Director:

1. Settlement of General Liability Claim of Heather Concklin, Claim No: A/P 1535, in the amount of \$1,348.00.

Ms. Concklin had to call a plumber to her home located at 800 Harding Road in Hinsdale IL on both November 24, 2022, and November 28, 2022 to fix a slow drain and back up issue. It was determined that a sewer blockage in the District's SW Side 17A Interceptor Control Structure allegedly caused the plumbing issue. This settlement satisfies the total damages sought for reimbursement of plumbing costs.

2. Settlement of Auto Liability Claim of Antoinasha Davis, Claim No: A/P 1537, in the amount of \$4,872.15.

While driving down Harlem Ave. in River Forest IL on January 12, 2023, Ms. Davis's personal vehicle was allegedly struck and damaged on the rear end by a District owned vehicle. This settlement satisfies the total damages sought to repair the vehicle and for the rental vehicle expense.

3. Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claim of Andrea Mucino, Claim Case No. 19 WC 014887, in the amount of \$5,214.68.

Ms. Andrea Mucino, a Pollution Control Technician I at the O'Brien WRP, alleged a May 1, 2019 work related injury to her left shoulder while she transferred a 25-pound battery from her vehicle to a cart on

wheels. The industrial clinic determined she sprained her left shoulder. She was off work from May 2, 2019, through May 23, 2019, and she returned to work on May 24, 2019. Settlement in the amount of \$5,214.68 represents 1.5% loss of use of the person as a whole and will close out any future lost time benefits as well as any future medical benefits.

4. Settlement of General Liability Claim of Elon Roland, Claim No: A/P 1526, in the amount of \$2,430.38.

While at the O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant on February 24, 2022, Mr. Roland's personal vehicle was allegedly struck and damaged on the right back quarter panel by a District owned tractor. This settlement satisfies the total damages sought to repair the vehicle.

5. Settlement of Monica Jones v. MWRD, Circuit Court of Cook County Case No. 19 L 3189, in the amount of \$9,999.99.

Monica Jones, a former probationary Diversity Officer, filed a lawsuit alleging that she was discharged from District employment in retaliation for having filed a workers' compensation claim, or alternatively, for filing a police report in violation of the Illinois Whistleblower Act. This case was scheduled for a jury trial. Settlement in the amount of \$9,999.99 was determined to be in the best interests of the District.

Respectfully submitted, Beverly K. Sanders, Director of Human Resources and Susan T. Morakalis, General Counsel, BKS:STM:EMA:JBM:JTM:nl