

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
SETTLEMENT CLAIM FILED BY MICHAEL GILES**

**WHEREAS**, on August 18, 2019, Michael Giles filed a Notice of Claim against the City of Mount Vernon (the "City") in the amount of \$300,000, alleging violation of his civil rights on July 19, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 17, 2020, a federal lawsuit was filed against the City of Mount Vernon on behalf of Michael Giles; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mount Vernon has reached a settlement agreement in the total amount of \$300,000, inclusive of all costs and attorney's fees, with payment structured as follows:

- The City will contribute \$275,000, which includes \$55,000 from the City's excess carrier, CHUBB, and
- An additional \$25,000 will be contributed directly by the Westchester County Department of Public Safety to the Plaintiff; and

**WHEREAS**, CHUBB has confirmed that it will notify the Quinn Law Firm regarding the timing of the \$55,000 payment to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporation Counsel, by letter dated October 28, 2024, recommends that the Board of Estimate & Contract approve this settlement in the total amount of \$300,000;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:**

1. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Estimate & Contract of the City of Mount Vernon hereby authorizes and directs the disbursement of settlement funds for \$275,000 from the City's account, under the terms and conditions outlined in the settlement agreement, to Michael Giles, with the claim settled for a total of \$300,000, and that said settlement is hereby approved.

2. **RESOLVED**, that the Comptroller is hereby authorized to take all necessary actions to effectuate payment of these funds from the City's account, as provided in the settlement agreement with CHUBB.

3. **RESOLVED**, that the payment shall be allocated from Budget Code A1930.494 (Judgments & Settlements), 2024 Budget.