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Friday, January 10, 2025

Mr. Jack Bohannon 1340 Poydras St, Ste. 600 New Orleans, LA 70112

Re:

Vashon Watson VS.

Department of Public Works

Docket Number: 9654

Dear Mr. Bohannon:

Attached is the action of the Civil Service Commission at the Commission's meeting on Friday, 1/10/2025.

Yours very truly,

Doddie K. Smith

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IN RE:

Vashon Watson v. Department of Public Works

Docket Nos: 9654 & 9655 - Civil Service Commission

ORDER

Before the Commission was a motion by the Parties for the Commission to approve a settlement agreement reached by the parties. Upon consideration, the Commission finds that Parties have reached an amicable resolution which is attached hereto. Therefore:

The Parties' motion is hereby GRANTED.

Judgment rendered this 10th day of January, 2025

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

YEA:

JOHN H. KORN, VICE-CHAIRPERSON

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VASHON WATSON

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DOCKET NOS. 9654 and 9655

FINAL AGREEMENT

NOW COME the parties, through undersigned counsel, who represent that a final agreement was reached resolving Vashon Watson v. Department of Public Works, C.S. Nos. 9654 and 9655. Pursuant to C.S. Rule II, Section 6.7, the parties herein have agreed to resolve these matters prior to and in lieu of proceeding with a Civil Service hearing. Specifically, the Department of Public Works has agreed to rescind the emergency suspensions and to remove said suspensions from Mr. Watson's personnel file. The Department of Public Works has further agreed to reimburse Mr. Watson with all back pay and other emoluments from the emergency suspensions dated September 3, 2024 to September 25, 2024. All annual and sick leave that would have accrued during the period of suspension is added to Mr. Watson's accrued leave account. Accordingly, Mr. Watson agrees to withdraw his appeal of the emergency suspension in C.S. Docket Number 9654 and Whistleblower Appeal in C.S. Docket Number 9655.

WHEREFORE the parties, through signature of undersigned counsel, request that this

Agreement be entered into the record and acknowledged by the Commission at its next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted:

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