

Resolution authorizing the settlement of a claim for damage to a 2013 Ford Escape (Fleet Management) (\$20,491.00)

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2014, Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's office, vehicle (#262), driven by The Honorable Ron O'Brien, Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney, was involved in an auto accident; and

WHEREAS, the operator of vehicle 262 was travelling eastbound on I-670 approaching the North 4th Street Exit; and

WHEREAS, Monika Patel while traveling eastbound in a 2010 Acura TSX on I-670, failed to control her vehicle, a violation of Columbus City Code Sec. 2131.33(A), thereby striking vehicle 262 and caused vehicle 262 to strike the concrete barrier resulting in total damage to vehicle 262; and

WHEREAS, Monika Patel pled guilty to the charge in Case No. 2014-TRD-153907, and paid the fine imposed by the Court; and

WHEREAS, Nationwide Insurance Company, the automobile insurance carrier for Monika Patel, has offered to pay twenty thousand, four hundred, ninety-one dollars, and zero cents (\$20,491.00) to the Franklin County Commissioners, for the property damage to vehicle 262 and in settlement of the property damage portion of this claim; and

WHEREAS, there may be bodily injury claims arising out of this incident; however, this resolution only authorizes settlement of the property damage to the vehicle and not any potential bodily injury claims; and

WHEREAS, the above described settlement was recommended by Fleet Management, and fairly compensates for the property damage to vehicle 262; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners deems it to be in the best interest to accept the same in full settlement of the property damage claim; and therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

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1. That the above-referenced settlement for the property damage to the vehicle in the amount of twenty thousand, four hundred, ninety-one dollars, and zero cents (\$20,491.00) is in the best interest of the Franklin County Commissioners, and the same is hereby approved.
2. That upon receipt of twenty thousand, four hundred, ninety-one dollars, and zero cents (\$20,491.00) from Nationwide Insurance Company, the above-referenced property damage claim shall be settled between Monika Patel, their successors and assigns, and/or their heirs, executors and administrators, and also any and all other persons, associations, and corporations who may be jointly severally liable to the Franklin County Commissioners. This settlement and release does not in any way affect any possible bodily injury claims that may be asserted.
3. The Franklin County Commissioners authorize the Director of Franklin County Fleet Management to release the title to the 2013 Ford Escape to Nationwide Insurance Company in exchange for a check payable to the Franklin County Commissioners in the amount of twenty thousand, four hundred, ninety-one dollars, and zero cents (\$20,491.00).

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Office of Management and Budget