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Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. Eric Hessler PANO 320 N. Carrollton Avenue #202 New Orleans, LA 70119

Re:

John Blatcher VS.

Department of Police Docket Number: 9474

Dear Mr. Hessler:

Attached is the action of the Civil Service Commission at the Commission's meeting on Wednesday, 9/20/2023.

Yours very truly, Moddie K. Smith

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Chief, Management Services Division

CC:

Michelle M. Woodfork, Interim Arthur Williams John Blatcher

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IN RE:

John Blatcher v. Department of Police

Docket No: 9474 - 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 20th day of September, 2023

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## NEW ORLEANS POLICE DEPARTMENT CS No. 9474

#### **AGREEMENT**

The parties herein, through their respective counsel, have reached an Agreement to resolve *John Blatcher v. NOPD*, CS 9474, pursuant to Civil Service (CS) Rule II, Section 6.7, prior to and in lieu of proceeding with the CS appeal hearing scheduled for August 18, 2023.

The New Orleans Police Department ("NOPD") has agreed to rescind the two (2) working day suspension issued under PIB 2019-0265-P, remove the disciplinary letter from Officer Blatcher's personnel file, reimburse him for the two (2) working days of suspension served to date and all emoluments (leave and retirement benefits) associated with the reimbursement of two (2) working days, and correct his Public Integrity Bureau (PIB) short form to indicate recission of the sustained violation of Rule 4, Performance of Duty, paragraph 4; Neglect of Duty, and recission of the two (2) working day suspension. NOPD's terms of resolution are confirmed by the signature of counsel of record below.

In response to NOPD's offer of resolution, as stated herein, the Appellant, Officer John Blatcher, has agreed to withdraw his appeal, as confirmed by the signature of his counsel of record below.

WHEREFORE, the parties confirm their agreement to the terms of resolution as stated herein by their signatures below, and request that this Agreement be presented at the Commission's next monthly meeting for acknowledgement.

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Date: 8/16/23