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Via Email and Certified Mail

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Re: Tort Claim Notice – Estate of Malcom Braman/ Evidence Preservation Hold

Dear City of Portland and City of Gresham:

We have been retained by the Estate of Malcom Braman. On August 2, 2024, Mr. Braman was killed when the vehicle he was driving crashed into a utility pole. The crash was caused by the negligent pursuit and use of a spike strips by employees of the Portland and Gresham Police Departments. Mr. Braman was being pursued by Gresham Police officers Still and Carranza after being observed run a red light when Sergeant Wullbrandt of Portland Police Department decided to deploy a spike strip, causing a front right tire blowout. Immediately after hitting the spike strip, the vehicle driven by Mr. Braman slid into the curb, flipped, and collided into a utility pole roof first. Both Mr. Braman and his passenger, Nicholas McGuire, were killed by the impact.

A claim for damages may be asserted against the City of Portland and the City of Gresham regarding the above-described incident. Please direct all correspondence regarding this matter to my office.

This letter will serve as my notice of representation, tort claim notice and formal demand for the preservation and retention of any and all records and documents concerning or related to the above-described incident. The laws and rules prohibiting destruction of evidence apply to electronically stored information in the same manner that they apply to other evidence. Due to its format, electronically stored information is easily deleted, modified, or corrupted. Accordingly, you must take every reasonable step to preserve this information until the final resolution of this matter.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to your courtesies as we work toward a resolution of this.

Sincerely Yours,

/s/ Adam Springer

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Cc: Client