January 30, 2024

Maribeth Witzel-Behl, City Clerk City of Madison Clerk's Office 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Room 103 Madison, WI 53703

Dear Ms. Witzel-Behl:

This is a claim under Sec. 74.37, WI Stats., Claim on Excessive Assessment, for a refund of excess property taxes paid for tax year 2023. I am the owner of the property at 5324 Loruth Terrace. I have paid my 2023 property taxes in full and am requesting a refund of \$2579.09.

In December 2023, I received a tax bill showing an assessment of \$1,081,100 and taxes of \$19,344.56. This assessment was appealed to the Board of Review. At the Board of Review hearing, a motion was made to reduce the assessment, but said motion did not pass through a vote of the members. The assessment should have been reduced to \$940,000 based on evidence provided at the hearing. The correct assessment would result in a property tax bill of \$16,765.47. (\$940,000 * 0.01827846 = \$17,181.75 - First Dollar Credit of \$88.15 - Lottery and Gaming Credit of \$328.13 = \$16,765.47)

Evidence was presented, and if necessary, will be further presented to show that a fair and equitable 2023 assessment should have been \$940,000. Evidence was also presented, and if necessary, will be further presented to show that the comparable sales used by the Assessor's Office to justify a higher assessment should be disqualified from consideration.

Please let me know if you have questions or require additional information.

Thank you.

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