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Mr. Leif Olson Chief Deputy Attorney General Attorney General's Office Hoover Bldg. LOCAL

Dear Mr. Olson:

The Executive Council, in a meeting held this date, approved your requests for retention of special counsel pursuant to Iowa Code section 13.7 to represent the Auditor of State's Office in City of Davenport v. Office of Auditor of State, No. 24-1160 in the Supreme Court of Iowa for the purposes of (1) preparing and filing the statement ordered by the Supreme Court, (2) preparing for and presenting argument at the scheduled hearing, and (3) preparing for and filing with the Supreme Court any necessary post-argument statements relating to only the representational question. This authorization does not extend to the merits of the dispute between the Auditor and the City before the Supreme Court.

Attorney: John McCormally

Rate: As a State employee, his salary attributable to his work as appointed

special counsel be authorized to be paid as "reasonable compensation" for

that work.

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