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April 17, 2017

Ms. Sherry Williams
Atlanta Citizens Review Board
City Hall Tower, Suite 9100
55 Trinity Avenue, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: 16-093, Officer Phillip Skidmore

Dear Ms. Williams:

I am in receipt of the Atlanta Citizen Review Board's letter pertaining to the complaint(s) of Ms. Shereka Florence, recommending that the allegation of False Imprisonment be **Exonerated** against **Officer Phillip Skidmore**, as well as the allegations of appropriate action and unnecessary force being assigned a finding of **Not Sustained**.

At this time, the Office of Professional Standards has concluded its investigation into the allegations surrounding Ms. Florence's complaint. The investigation determined Officer Skidmore's actions were within department policy as related to his use of force. For this reason, the internal investigation resulted in a finding of **Exonerated** with regard to the allegation **APD Work Rule 2.50 Use of Force**. As to Ms. Florence's allegations

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concerning Officer Skidmore's entry into her home, the investigation returned a finding of **Not Sustained** with regard to **APD Work Rule 4.1.1 Appropriate Action**.

Major Celeste Murphy, Commander of the Office of Professional Standards, can be contacted at (404) 546-5945, if you have any further concerns regarding this complaint.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Erika Shields in black ink.

Erika Shields

Chief of Police

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