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March 15, 2018

Chief Erika Shields  
City of Atlanta Police Department  
226 Peachtree Street, S.W.  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

RE: Complaint of Michael Spencer, ACRB File #17-052

Dear Chief Shields:

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by Michael Spencer alleging that on April 18, 2017, when he was on the floor of the Piggly Wiggly Supermarket, Atlanta Police Officer Robert Holmes (Unique ID #5609) engaged in unnecessary excessive force when he pushed him, grabbed his right arm, twisted it, placed his knee in his back and put the handcuffs on him *“real hard.”* He also alleged Officer Holmes *“snatched me out of the car roughly”* when EMS arrived on the scene. Mr. Spencer further alleged that Officer Holmes was verbally abusive when used profanity at him.

The Board determined the **Excessive Force and Abusive Language** allegations against Officer Holmes be assigned a finding of **Unfounded**.

The file is available for review upon request. The ordinance requires that the Chief respond in writing regarding which recommendations are accepted, rejected, or will be implemented with modifications within thirty (30) days of the submission of a recommendation for action by the Board to the Chief (see Sec. 2-2211(O) of the Ordinance 07-0-0141).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Gino Brogdon', written over a white background.

M. Gino Brogdon  
Board Chair

cc: Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms  
Council President Felicia Moore  
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