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April 18, 2018

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

RE: Complaint of Thurmon Downs, ACRB File #16-155

Dear Chief Shields:

Please be advised that the Atlanta Citizen Review Board (ACRB) has concluded its investigation and adjudication of the complaint filed by Thurmon Downs alleging that on July 10, 2016, Atlanta Police Officers Jonathan Clayton (Unique ID #6495) and Demetreis Jones (Unique ID #6467): 1) racially profiled him, 2) unlawfully detained and searched him, 3) falsely arrested him and, 4) improperly disposed of some of his belongings.

Mr. Downs further alleged that Officers Clayton and Jones acted inappropriately when: 1) they aggressively placed their hands on their guns, and 2) Officer Clayton told him he “has been watching too much YouTube” and was “very rude” during the incident.

The Board determined the **False Imprisonment, Discrimination, Conduct and Appropriate Action Required (as it relates to the disposal of property issue)** allegations against both officers be assigned a finding of **Not Sustained**.

The Board further determined that the **Appropriate Action Required allegation, as it relates to the false arrest and illegal search claims** against both officers be assigned a finding of **Exonerated**.

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', enclosed in a large, loopy oval.

M. Gino Brogdon
Board Chair

cc: Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms
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