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**RE: NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST**  
**FOIA FILE NO.: P544096**

Dear Mr. Stecklow:

This notice is in response to your request received by the Chicago Police Department on November 21, 2019 for the following records and information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140 *et seq*:

*"Copies of the attachment sheets, summary digest report, and any other final disposition documentation (e.g., an Administrative Closure order, mediation agreement, grievance decision or arbitration award) for each of the following CR investigations. If possible, please provide all files associated with each individual CR together in one PDF file per CR number.*

1017216  
1072607  
1080552  
268295  
1003418  
1048290  
1068451  
1089056  
1005169  
1060074  
1040688

*The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes."*

As permitted by Section 5 ILCS 140/3(e) of the Act, the time was extended in order to conduct a thorough search for these records. Your request was reviewed by the undersigned in collaboration with the Bureau of Internal Affairs. Your request is granted in part. You are being provided with the Summary Report Digests for the Complaint Register files under log numbers 1017216, 1072607, 1080552, 268295, 1003418, 1048290, 1089056, 1005169, 1060074 and 1040688 as the responsive records to your request.

Please be advised that certain information has been redacted from the enclosed responsive records pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(a), 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b), 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) and 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(d). Details of the redactions are set forth below:

Section 7(1)(b) exempts from disclosure "[p]rivate information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b). The FOIA, in 5 ILCS 140/2(c-5), defines "private

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information" as follows:

"Private information" means unique identifiers, including a person's social security number, driver's license number, employee identification number, biometric identifiers, personal financial information, passwords or other access codes, medical records, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. Private information also includes home address and personal license plates, except as otherwise provided by law or when compiled without possibility of attribution to any person."

Therefore, information such as IR numbers, personal addresses, personal telephone numbers, signatures and CPD employee numbers/user codes are private information and have been redacted pursuant to Section 7(1)(b).

In addition, complainants, victims and witnesses have a strong interest in keeping their identity private. The names and identifying information of these individuals, along with all dates of birth, are considered highly personal information and are protected from disclosure pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) of FOIA. Section 7(1)(c) exempts from inspection and copying the following:

"[P]ersonal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy... 'Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy' means the disclosure of information is that highly personal or objectionable to reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information." *Id.*

Furthermore, names of persons who provided information to law enforcement personnel have also been redacted pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(d)(iv) which protects information that would:

- (iv) unavoidably disclose the identity of a confidential source, confidential information furnished only by the confidential source, or persons who file complaints with or provide information to administrative, investigative, law enforcement, or penal agencies; except that the identities of witnesses to traffic accidents, traffic accident reports, and rescue reports shall be provided by agencies

Furthermore, information regarding juvenile offenders was redacted pursuant to the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 (JCA) (705 ILCS 405/1) (West 2010), which "mandates that reports in which a minor was arrested, charged or investigated must be withheld in full. See 2010 PAC 8941 (Ill. Att'y Gen. PAC Req. Rev. Ltr. 8941, issued October 22, 2010, at 2) and 2010 PAC 9077 (Ill. Att'y Gen. PAC Req. Rev. Ltr. 9077, issued February 9, 2011, at 2). Therefore, all information regarding juvenile offenders has been redacted as this information is exempt from disclosure under 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act, which exempts from production "information specifically prohibited from disclosure by a federal or State law or rules and regulation adopted under federal or state law."

Lastly, please be advised that any records relating to CR Log #1068451 are denied in its entirety. The CR is an ongoing investigation and any records pertaining to it is exempt pursuant to FOIA under exemption 7(1)(d)(ii) of FOIA (5 ILCS 140/7(1)(d)(ii)(West 2010) which allows a public body to withhold records that would interfere with active administrative enforcement proceedings conducted by the public body that is the recipient of the request. While responsive records were identified, disclosing these records would adversely impact Complaint Register investigations. The release of records related to an open investigation would compromise the investigators' ability to determine the veracity of statements made by all parties involved. Therefore, these records must be withheld pursuant to 7(1)(d)(ii).

You have the right to a review under 5 ILCS 140-9.5(a) by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, Phone: (877) 299-3642, Fax: 217-782- 1396, E-mail: [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us). You may also seek judicial review of a denial under 5 ILCS 140/11 by filing a lawsuit in the State Circuit Court.

Sincerely,

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