

City of Pawtucket

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Dear Mr. Coates:

This office is in receipt of your Access to Public Records Act ("APRA") request received on January 9, 2020 (see attached). As per § 38-2-3(e) of the APRA if the City needs additional time to comply with a public records request, it may have up to an additional twenty (20) business days under certain circumstances, which includes, the number of requests for records pending. Due to a high volume of requests for records presently pending, this office has not had the opportunity review the records and to process your request, and I believe additional time is necessary in order to avoid imposing an undue burden on the City. As a result, please be advised that the City hereby invokes the aforementioned statute, and asserts the need for an additional ten (10) business days to respond to your request. Certainly, we will provide you with a response in a shorter period of time, if possible.

As per R.I. Gen. Laws §38-2-8, if you believe that the City has not been responsive to your request, you may appeal to Mayor Donald R. Grebien, 137 Roosevelt Avenue, Pawtucket, RI 02860. You may also file a complaint with the Department of Attorney General, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903, or the Providence County Superior Court. Additional information concerning the Access to Public Records Act is available through the Attorney General's website at <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>. The City of Pawtucket has been and will continue to be an open, honest, accessible government under this Administration in accordance with the Access to Public Records Act.

Very truly yours,

<u>/s/ Frank J. Milos, Jr.</u> Frank J. Milos, Jr., Esq. City Solicitor