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Mr. James H. Barber  
Chief of Staff  
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Dear Mr. Barber:

I have reviewed your letter and discussed with my Chief. I believe you have been misinformed.

Since August 2022, the City has worked with two shelters in Mobile that offer homeless persons numerous resources not available in our community. These shelters have been in coordination and contact with our police department, and any individuals wanting to go to the Mobile shelters have signed consent forms. Since August of last year, there have been less than twenty transports. During the 2023 calendar year only two people were offered transportation and assistance to the shelters.

While it is true that some individuals have utilized the services of the Mobile shelters, the inferences in your letter attributing some wrongdoing by our police department are incorrect. If you would like to discuss details further, we welcome an open discussion with your administration and law enforcement officers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A.M. Gilich, Jr.", written over a white background.

A.M. GILICH, JR.  
Mayor

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