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Dear Leigh

We write in regard to the report entitled “New receipt made for mayor” which appears in today’s edition of the Sunday Star-Times.

We are alarmed, to say the least, at the alleged actions of Council officials. We can not imagine there being any reasonable explanation for officers of the Manukau City Council to request a new tax invoice from a restaurant, in the manner described in the article, more than eight months after the date the restaurant was visited by Mayor Len Brown.

We believe the reported actions of Manukau City Council staff require thorough investigation and an explanation. As councillors and ratepayers, we deserve to know who requested the restaurant to “make up” a new invoice; why the request was made; and whether the request was made with the knowledge of yourself and Mr Brown.

We would appreciate your explanation for the reported actions of your staff as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely



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