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TO: The Honorable Detroit City Council

David Whitaker, Director FROM:

Legislative Policy Division Staff

DATE: May 8, 2023

RE: RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MAY 8, 2023 THROUGH MAY 12, 2023 AS

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway requested that the Legislative Policy Division (LPD) draft a resolution to recognize May 8, 2023 through May 12, 2023 as teacher appreciation week.

Please contact us if we can be of any further assistance.

## BY COUNCIL MEMBER ANGELA WHITFIELD CALLOWAY

## RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MAY 8, 2023 THROUGH MAY 12, 2023 AS TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

- WHEREAS, Education and knowledge are the foundation of the current and future success and well-being of Detroit and it's residents; and
- WHEREAS, Teachers and other education staff have earned and deserve the respect of their students and communities for their selfless dedication to community service and the futures of children; and
- **WHEREAS**, The teaching profession should be afforded high public esteem, and reflect a community's value on public education; and
- WHEREAS, Teachers employ countless hours preparing lessons, evaluating progress, counseling and coaching students while filling roles of listeners, explorers, role models, motivators, and mentors; and
- WHEREAS, When confronted with the extraordinary challenge of continuing to teach during the COVID-19 pandemic, teachers and other education staff stepped up in new ways and new roles to support their communities and their students; and
- WHEREAS, Teachers are essential in preserving and maintaining democracy by helping students to obtain the knowledge necessary for them to be well-informed citizens who will choose and become future leaders; and
- **WHEREAS**, Teacher Appreciation Week is a time to recognize and raise awareness of the immeasurable contributions of teachers and the benefit that they provide to all of society; and
- WHEREAS, The Detroit City Council extends its gratitude to Detroit teachers and encourages students, parents, school administrators, and all Detroiters to recognize Teacher Appreciation Week; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT
- **RESOLVED**, That the Detroit City Council recognizes May 8, 2023, through May 12, 2023, as Teacher Appreciation Week; **NOW BE IT FINALLY**
- **RESOLVED,** That the Detroit City Clerk is directed to send this resolution to Mayor Mike Duggan and to major local news media outlets.