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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Tonja Long, Law Department

FROM: Council President Pro Tem Mary Sheffield

DATE: January 7, 2022

RE: Compensation for Over Taxation & Foreclosure Ordinance

It has been determined and reported that during the period between 2010 and 2016 that the City of Detroit residential properties had been improperly assessed and over-taxed by as much as 600 million dollars. As a result, several property owners had deleterious financial impacts or lost their homes to foreclosure.

As a follow up to the memo submitted on November 16th, 2021:

I am requesting that the Law Department draft a compensation ordinance based on the attached memorandum.