



City of Detroit Detroit City Council

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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CHILD CARE FOR DDOT DRIVERS

WHEREAS, Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT) drivers are the hard-working core of our city's transportation system, helping to keep Detroit moving even in difficult times; and

WHEREAS, many DDOT drivers support families, including children, and may struggle to find child care when working; and

WHEREAS, average child care costs in Michigan can be \$741 per month¹, equating to a large share of the take-home pay of an entry-level driver; and

WHEREAS, our city is facing a shortage of drivers and needs to make significant changes in order to attract the best people to keep our city moving; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Detroit City Council calls on the Department of Transportation to enter into proactive negotiations with the bus drivers to provide child care assistance to all DDOT bus drivers; and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all interested public media, civil society, educational and civil groups and individuals who are vested in supporting our DDOT bus drivers.

¹ <https://www.fox17online.com/news/local-news/michigan/study-cost-of-childcare-in-michigan-almost-equal-to-cost-of-college-tuition>