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January 29, 2024

Honorable City Council:

RE: City of Detroit to accept funding from the Michigan Department of Transportation to permanently close to all traffic the railroad crossing located on Selkirk Street, between Mount Elliot Street and Foster Street. Also, for the acceptance of funding to facilitate improvements to Selkirk Street for said closure.

The City of Detroit ("CITY") has negotiated an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation ("MDOT"), that will result in permanent closure to all traffic over the Selkirk Street railroad crossing located over the Consolidated Rail Corporation tracks, between Mount Elliott Street and Foster Street, within the City of Detroit.

Whereas, the Department of Public Works has surveyed railroad crossings within the City of Detroit, MI with respect to the safety of said crossings, and

Whereas, MDOT has agreed to issue funding from the Local Grade Crossing Closure Program in the amount of \$125,000 to the CITY, conditioned upon the closing of the Selkirk Street railroad crossings, and

Whereas, it appears that closing the crossing Selkirk Street at the Consolidated Rail Corporation right of way is indicated to be in the interest of the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the CITY.

A resolution is attached for consideration by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Brundidge, Director

Department of Public Works

Cc: Malik Washington, Mayor's Office

Oladayo Akinyemi, DPW

Richard Doherty, DPW City Engineering

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BY COUNCIL MEMBER	
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**RESOLVED,** that the Department of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to permanently close to all traffic the Consolidated Rail Corporation right-of-way located on Selkirk Street, between Mount Elliott Street and Foster Street, within the City of Detroit; further described as land being within the City of Detroit, Michigan;

Selkirk Street, lying northerly of and adjacent to lots 134 through 136 and lying southerly of and adjacent to lots 139 through 141 of "Kosciuszko Subdivision" as recorded in Liber 32, Page 91 of Plats, Wayne County Records

Whereas, the City/County has surveyed railroad crossings within the CITY with respect to the safety of said crossings, and

Whereas, MDOT has assured the City of Detroit of certain funds, conditioned upon the closing of the Selkirk Street railroad crossings, and

Whereas, it appears that closing the crossing Selkirk Street at the Consolidated Rail Corporation right of way is indicated to be in the interest of the safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the CITY.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this closure be contingent upon the execution of a contract for the CITY to obtain certain funding in the amount of \$125,000 from MDOT which can be used for the costs of performing the closure and other transportation purposes within the CITY jurisdiction.

Whereas, upon contract execution a \$10,000 payment will be made to the CITY to assist with upfront closure expenses, with the balance of the award payable upon MDOT's satisfactory inspection of the closure treatment.

Whereas, the balance of the awards shall be released by MDOT upon confirmation that vehicle traffic is prohibited from crossing, and permanent physical barriers and/or the eradication of the roadway on each approach will suffice to prohibit vehicle traffic.