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Detroit City Council
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Re: Ordinance to prohibit businesses from locking people inside

Honorable City Council:

Council President Sheffield and President Pro Tem Tate have requested that the Law Department prepare an ordinance to amend Chapter 31 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, *Offenses*, Article III, *Offenses against persons*, by adding, Section 31-3-5, *Prohibiting the unlawful restraint of a patron against their will; exceptions; vicarious liability; and definitions*, in order to provide for the public health, safety and welfare of the patrons of City of Detroit businesses. A copy of the recently revised ordinance, which has been approved as to form, is attached for your review and consideration.

We are available to answer any questions that you may have concerning this proposed ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Saxby
Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Malik Washington, City Council Liaison