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MEMORANDUM

Neighborhood and Community Services

TO: Janice M. Winfrey, City Clerk Suite 200
FROM: Council Member-At-Large Coleman A. Young II
CC: Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway
Council Member Scott Benson
David Whittaker, Director LPD
Andre Gilbert, Deputy Clerk
Louise Jones, Committee Clerk
DATE: January 24, 2022
RE: Exploring Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot Program for Detroiters

The Neighborhood and Community Services Standing Committee is interested in exploring a Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot Program for Detroiters living under the poverty line.

I am requesting that Mr. Whittaker begin researching how programs of this type are implemented, tracked and evaluated. I am specifically interested in how these programs have helped eradicate poverty.

Chicago, Illinois, Gary, Indiana, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Richmond, Virginia and several cities in California have had successful programs. Ann Arbor, Michigan is in the process of developing a similar program as well.

Thank you.