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TO: Honorable Latisha Johnson, Chairperson
Internal Operations Standing Committee

FROM: David D. Whitaker, Director 
Legislative Policy Division Staff

DATE: May 1, 2024

RE: **Detroit Public Library Renewal**

The Legislative Policy Division was requested to draft a resolution to forwarding the Detroit Public Library Commission's ballot question to renew the its current millage to the Detroit Election Commission. The resolution and ballot question is attached for your consideration.

BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MARY SHEFFIELD:

**RESOLUTION FORWARDING BALLOT QUESTION TO
THE ELECTION COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL**

WHEREAS, The Detroit Library Commission has presented the attached ballot question for submission to the voters at the August 6, 2024 Primary Election; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Detroit Public Library is to enhance the quality of life for Detroit's diverse and dynamic community by enlightening and empowering citizens of all ages to meet their lifelong learning needs through open and equitable access to information, technology, and cultural/educational programs; and

WHEREAS, The Detroit Public Library requires an operational millage renewal to support its mission of providing diverse and dynamic pathways to literacy and learning for the citizens of Detroit, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED, that the Detroit City Council submits the Library Operating Millage Proposition set forth in the attached ballot question for the August 6, 2024 Primary Election; **BE IT FINALLY**

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution and ballot question be transmitted to the City of Detroit Election Commission for certification of the question to the County of Wayne for placement on the August 6, 2024 Primary Election ballot.

PROPOSAL L: LIBRARY OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the tax limitation on taxable property for operating and maintaining the Detroit Public Libraries, be renewed for 3.9943 mills (\$3.9943 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable value) for 10 years (July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2035) This renewal combines two millages that voters approved on August 5, 2014, which expires June 30, 2025. 3.9943 mills will raise an estimated revenue of \$42,000,000 the first year, if approved, levied, and 100% collected.