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COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM

To: David Whitaker, Director, Legislative Policy Division

Through: Latisha Johnson, Chair, Internal Operations Standing Committee

From: Council President Mary Sheffield submitting memorandum relative to

Date: 5/23/2024

RE: Memo Request for a Resolution to Re-Establish Film Incentives in Michigan

SUMMARY:

I am requesting that the Legislative Policy Division draft a resolution to urging the Michigan Legislature to re-establish film tax incentives for productions in Michigan.

When active, Michigan's film subsidies played a crucial role in attracting film production and stimulating the local economy for several years. The influx of production benefited local businesses such as hotels, restaurants, equipment rental companies, etc. Since the elimination of the incentives, Michigan has seen a significant decline in film production. I believe that with carefully structured incentives, we can ensure long-term benefits for Michigan's economy and cultural landscape.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Yvonne Ragland from my office at yvonne.ragland@detroitmi.gov.

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