



City of Detroit

CITY COUNCIL

MARY SHEFFIELD
CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
DISTRICT 5

MEMORANDUM

TO: David Whitaker, Director, Legislative Policy Division
FROM: Mary Sheffield, President, Detroit City Council
DATE: May 24, 2024
RE: Memo Request for a Resolution to Re-Establish Film Incentives in Michigan

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.

Cc: Honorable Colleagues
City Clerk