

City of Detroit Detroit City Council

FROM THE DESK OF
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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)

WHEREAS, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is the primary federal legislation that invests in workforce development programming; and

WHEREAS, authorization for WIOA expired in 2020 and, since then, Congress has extended its authorization through the annual appropriation process without meaningful updates and

WHEREAS, the US House of Representatives passed H.R. 6655 – A Stronger Workforce for America Act, which would reauthorize and update the WIOA to provide local workforce development agencies a stronger federal partner; and

WHEREAS, the legislation currently sits with the US Senate, where an amended version is yet to be brought to the floor; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that our workforce development programs in Detroit have the security and stability of knowing that their federal support is officially reauthorized; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Detroit City Council calls on Congress to reauthorize the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA); and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Congressional delegation, Michigan State House of Representatives, the Michigan State Senate, Mayor Mike Duggan, Governor Gretchen Whitmer, and all interested public media, civil society, educational and civil groups and individuals who are vested in protecting citizens.