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**TO:** The Honorable Detroit City Council

**FROM:** David Whitaker, Director  
Legislative Policy Division Staff

**DATE:** October 28, 2024

**RE:** **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EV CHARGING TRAINING PROGRAM**

Council Member Scott Benson requested that the Legislative Policy Division (LPD) draft a resolution supporting the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program proposed by IBEW Local 58 for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations.

Please contact us if we can be of any further assistance.

**BY COUNCIL MEMBER SCOTT BENSON**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EV CHARGING TRAINING PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS,** As the demand and production for electric vehicles (EVs) continues to rise, there is a need for a large increase in electric vehicle charging stations to meet this demand; and

**WHEREAS,** The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 58 is advocating for proper training for individuals installing EV charging stations through the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Training Program (EVITP); and

**WHEREAS,** The EVITP program has been in existence for nearly 10 years and was developed by the IBEW along with signatory contractors and other industry partners to ensure comprehensive knowledge and best practices to protect workers and end-users; and

**WHEREAS,** The U.S. Department of Transportation under the Biden Administration has proposed the EVITP as the national standard for professional installation of EV charging stations; and

**WHEREAS,** Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, there will be a nearly \$5 billion investment to help create a national network of 500,000 charging stations spanning the country's major roadways, spurring the need for qualified workers to install the charging stations; and

**WHEREAS,** Training professionals to install EV charging stations safely and effectively will best serve the interests of workers, consumers, manufacturers, and the environment; and

**WHEREAS,** The Detroit City Council is committed to ensuring that workers who install EV charging stations in the City of Detroit are properly trained and qualified to ensure that Detroit residents can safely take advantage of the benefits provided by EVs; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED,** That the Detroit City Council hereby commits to ensuring that contractors for City-funded EV charger installations are licensed by Detroit or the State of Michigan and to prioritizing the use of contractors who have completed the EVITP training for EV charger installation projects; **NOW BE IT FINALLY**

**RESOLVED,** That the Detroit City Clerk provide a copy of this resolution to the Mayor and IBEW Local 58.