



City of Detroit

CITY COUNCIL

MARY SHEFFIELD
CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
DISTRICT 5

MEMORANDUM

TO: Todd Bettison, Interim Chief, Detroit Police Department
Art Thompson, Director, Department of Innovation and Technology

FROM: Mary Sheffield, President, Detroit City Council

DATE: January 24, 2025

RE: Request for the Creation of a City-Wide Alert System for Missing Women

Since the pandemic, domestic violence has been on the rise and increasingly more women are being abducted here in Detroit and across the nation. Additionally, human trafficking continues to be a very serious issue disproportionately impacting women, more specifically women of color. Therefore, I am requesting the Detroit Police Department and the Department of Innovation and Technology coordinate to create and implement a city-wide alert system for missing women.

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

Cc: Honorable Colleagues
City Clerk