RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DDOT REIMAGINED PLAN

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WHEREAS Thousands of Detroit residents rely on public transit, including Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT) buses, each day to get to work, school, and other destinations; and

WHEREAS Roughly one-third of Detroit households lack access to a car, and many more lack access to reliable cars; and

WHEREAS The need to rely on personal vehicles subjects Detroiters to severe financial burdens; and

WHEREAS In 2022, DDOT initiated the "DDOT Reimagined" planning process to redesign the bus system to better meet Detroiters' needs; and

WHEREAS The process involved extensive public input; and

WHEREAS In 2024, DDOT released the DDOT Reimagined Final Plan, which calls for route adjustments, infrastructure improvements and major improvements in transit frequency, including 17 routes running every 15 minutes or better and the remaining 16 routes running every 30 minutes, with no routes running on an hourly basis; and

WHEREAS DDOT Reimagined would roughly double the amount of bus service on the road; and

WHEREAS DDOT Reimagined would require roughly twice the current amount of bus drivers and a roughly 60% increase in the number of buses required to provide service; and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

RESOLVED The Detroit City Council formally endorses the DDOT Reimagined Plan as a critical step towards greater equity, prosperity and opportunity for Detroit and its residents; and calls on the Department and Mayor to prioritize funding for the full implementation of the DDOT Reimagined Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor and all members of the Detroit Caucus of the Michigan Legislature.