Honorable Fred Durhal III Council Member – District 7



Chair, Budget Finance and Audit Vice Chair, Planning and Economic Development

Detroit City Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Chief Financial Officer

FROM: Fred Durhal III, Council Member, Chair

DATE: February 25, 2025

RE: Request for Additional Appropriation to Fund Community Violence Intervention Initiatives

in FY2026 Budget

The FY2026 budget currently includes a planned appropriation of \$900,000 toward Community Violence Intervention (CVI) initiatives. While this funding is a step in the right direction, it falls short of the targeted amount of \$2.3 million needed to effectively support efforts within our communities.

Given the urgent need to address violence prevention and intervention strategies, I am requesting an additional appropriation of \$1,400,000 to meet the funding target. This increased investment will sustain existing CVI programs that have proven effective in reducing violence.

I request that this additional funding be considered during the upcoming budget discussions to ensure that the necessary resources are allocated to sustain and strengthen these critical intervention efforts. Please advise on the feasibility of this adjustment and any necessary steps to incorporate it into the FY2026 budget.

Please contact our office if you have any questions or concerns – Esmat Ishag-Osman, Ph.D., Esmat.ishagosman@detroitmi.gov

cc: Louise Jones, Senior Clerk Cindy Golden, Senior Clerk