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Detroit City Council 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1340 Coleman A. Young Municipal Center Detroit, Michigan

Re: Ordinance to amend Chapter 19 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, Food, Article III, Sanitation Standards, Division 22, Water, Plumbing and Waste – Plumbing System, Subdivision E, Operation and Maintenance, by amending Section 19-3-772, Prohibiting a cross connection, by repealing and adding substitute Section 19-3-773, Scheduling inspection and service for a water system device to Backflow Device; Testing, and by adding Section 19-3-776, Inspections, and Section 19-3-777, Violations.

Honorable City Council:

The Law Department has prepared an ordinance sponsored by Councilman Benson to amend Chapter 19 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, *Food*, Article III, *Sanitation Standards*, Division 22, *Water, Plumbing and Waste – Plumbing System*, Subdivision E, *Operation and Maintenance*, by amending Section 19-3-772, *Prohibiting a cross connection*, by repealing and replacing Section 19-3-773, *Scheduling inspection and service for a water system device* to *Backflow Device; Testing*, and by adding Section 19-3-776, *Inspections*, and Section 19-3-777, *Violations*, to provide clarity on prohibited cross connection types, protective devices, inspection standards, and to rectify violations.

A copy of the ordinance, which has been approved as to form, is attached for your review and consideration.

We are available to answer any questions that you may have related to this proposed ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

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*Enclosure* cc: Malik Washington, City Council Liaison