



City of Detroit

COUNCILMAN SCOTT R. BENSON

MEMORANDUM

TO: Conrad Mallett, Chief Corporation Counsel, Law Department
FROM: Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3

CC: Hon. Latisha Johnson, Chair, Internal Operations Standing Committee
Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk
Malik Washington, Mayor's Liaison

VIA: Hon. Council President Mary Sheffield
DATE: 1 April 2025

RE: REQUEST FOR REVIEW AND REVISION OF HONORARY
FUNERAL ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AND PUBLIC
HEARING

I am requesting that the Law Department review and revise the draft ordinance prepared by the Legislative Policy Division entitled, *Honorary Funeral Provisions for Elected Officials*. The goal is to prepare the ordinance for formal introduction to City Council and to begin the process of setting a date for a public hearing.

Please ensure the ordinance language aligns with all applicable legal and procedural standards, including those governing ceremonial honors and funeral protocols for current and former Detroit elected officials.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact my office at 313-224-1198.

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