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Detroit City Council
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Re: Ordinance to amend Chapter 31 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, *Offenses*, Article I, *Generally*, Article II, *Obstruction of Government*, Article III, *Offenses Against Persons*, Article IV, *Offenses Against Property*, and Article XIII, *Weapons*, by adding, amending, and renumbering sections within the articles.

Honorable City Council:

The Law Department has prepared an ordinance for the consideration of City Council, which amends Chapter 31 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, *Offenses*; Article I, *Generally*, by amending Section 31-1-1, *Misdemeanor violation; continuing violation; penalties for conviction thereof*; and by adding Section 31-1-2, *Encourage delaying*, and by amending Article II, *Obstruction of Government*, by adding Section 31-2-5, *False statement to a police officer during an investigation*, Section 31-2-6, *Failure to identify oneself to a police officer*; by renumbering, *Interference with City-owned communication systems prohibited*, to Section 31-2-7, and by adding Section 31-2-8, *Refusal to allow fingerprinting*; by amending Article III, *Offenses Against Persons*, by adding Section 31-3-6, *Assault and battery*, Section 31-3-7, *Domestic Violence*, and Section 31-3-8, *Leaving a child unattended in a vehicle*; by amending Article IV, *Offenses Against Property*, by amending Section 31-4-8, *Malicious destruction of property; penalties*, by adding Section 31-4-17, *Throwing, propelling or dropping stone or object at a train, car, or vehicle*, Section 31-4-18, *Embezzlement by agent, servant, employee, trust, bailee, or custodian*, Section 31-4-19, *Larceny*, Section 31-4-20, *Larceny by conversion*, Section 31-4-21, *Larceny by false personation*, Section 31-4-22, *Larceny; motor vehicles or trailers*, Section 31-4-23, *Make, draw, utter or deliver check with non-sufficient funds*, Section 31-4-24, *Receive and conceal stolen goods*, Section 31-4-25, *Retail fraud*, and Section 31-4-26, *Theft by false token or false pretenses*; and by amending Article XIII, *Weapons*; Division 2, *Firearms*, by adding Section 31-13-26, *Possession of a firearm under the influence of intoxicants*, to create certain misdemeanor offenses under the City Code that mirror state law, and to provide for additional misdemeanor offenses.

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 concerning this proposed ordinance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure

cc: Malik Washington, Mayor's Liaison