



City of Detroit

COUNCILMAN SCOTT R. BENSON

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO: David Whitaker, Director, Legislative Policy Division**

**FROM: Hon. Scott Benson, City Council District 3**

**CC:** Hon. James E. Tate III, Chair, Planning & Economic Development  
Standing Committee

Hon. Janice Winfrey, City Clerk

Malik Washington, Mayor's Liaison

**VIA: Hon. Council President Mary Sheffield**

**DATE:** 2 October 2025

**RE: REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL  
ESTATE PLANNING MONTH**

I am requesting that the Legislative Policy Division prepare a resolution recognizing October as National Estate Planning Month, using the attached draft resolution as the foundation for Council consideration.

The resolution should underscore the importance of estate planning in protecting families, supporting intergenerational wealth transfer, and reducing financial disparities across our community. It should also encourage residents to take advantage of educational opportunities and available resources in estate planning.

Given that it is already October, I ask that this resolution be prioritized so it may be introduced and adopted in a timely manner this month.

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

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