

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MICHIGAN HOUSE BILL 6281**

**By Council Member At-Large Mary Waters**

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Detroit suffer with one of the highest tax burdens in the State of Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, the property tax rate in the City of Detroit is amongst the top-ten highest rates in the State of Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, property taxes present a major economic burden for senior citizen property owners, who have been the bedrock of our neighborhoods; and

**WHEREAS**, Michigan House Bill 6281 of 2022 provides communities like Detroit with the power to offer property tax abatements for senior citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Detroit has the duty to advocate for all policies that are in Detroiters' best interest; therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Detroit City Council stands in full support of Michigan House Bill 6281 and calls on the State Legislature to immediately pass this bill for signature by the Governor; and

**FINALLY RESOLVED**, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Mayor Mike Duggan, Governor Gretchen Whitmer, and all interested public media, civil society, educational and civil groups and individuals working towards this goal.