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Detroit City Council
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RE: Resolution of Detroit Elected Officials Compensation Commission to Increase the Salaries of Elected Officials of the City of Detroit

Honorable City Council:

In accordance with Section 2-2-4 of the 2019 Detroit City Code (“City Code”), the Detroit Elected Officials Compensation Commission (“Commission”) is permitted to meet in odd-numbered years to determine the salaries of City elected officials. The Commission met on February 1, 2023, February 8, 2023, and February 15, 2023. The Commission received and reviewed applicable information concerning: 1) Elected officials compensation surveys for United States cities conducted and submitted by the Human Resources Department; 2) Response to the Commission’s Request for Information from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer; 3) Current salaries and comparisons with other City pay structures; and 4) Correspondence from Clerk Winfrey in support of a salary increase.

At its February 15, 2023 meeting, the Commission received testimony and debated, considered and adopted a resolution, in regard to the salaries of the Mayor, the nine (9) City Council Members, and the City Clerk. The resolution is attached.

In accordance with Section 5c(b) of the Michigan Home Rule City Act, MCL 117.5c(b), Section 2-2-3 of the 2019 Detroit City Code provides, in pertinent part, that “The Elected Officials Compensation Commission shall determine the salaries of City-elected officials which determination shall be the salaries unless the City Council by resolution adopted by two-thirds (2/3) of the members elected to and serving on the City Council rejects them. The determination of the Commission shall be effective 30 days following their filing with the City Clerk unless rejected by the City Council. In case of rejection, the existing salary shall prevail.”

We are available to answer any questions concerning this matter. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment

cc Mayor Mike Duggan
Clerk Janice Winfrey
Board of Police Commissioner