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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

RE: Further extension of review period for proposed Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment –
Pope Francis Center, 3769 E. Canfield St.

As provided in Sec. 50-3-16 of the 2019 Detroit City Code, where a proposed map amendment is not acted upon by the City Council within one hundred twenty (120) days of the date of receipt of the City Planning Commission's report, it shall be deemed to have been denied, unless extended by the City Council.

The City Planning Commission's report and recommendation to approve the Zoning Ordinance map amendment relative to the rezoning of 3769 E. Canfield was taken up by Your Honorable Body on July 16, 2019. The original 120-day review period was scheduled to expire on November 13, 2019. Your Honorable Body passed a resolution to extend the review period an additional 120 days until March 10, 2020.

Discussions are still underway regarding the proposed map amendment and the item is scheduled to come back before the Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee on March 5, 2020. Should the item not be ready for action at that time, another extension of the review period will be required.

Attached, please find a resolution that would extend the review period for this ordinance an additional 120 days until July 8, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: Arthur Jemison, Group Executive for Housing, Planning and Development
Katy Trudeau, Deputy Director, PDD

By Council Member _____:

WHEREAS, the Section 50-3-16 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Detroit establishes that upon the expiration of a 120 day period following the date that the City Council formally receives the City Planning Commission's report and recommendation on any petition to amend the Zoning Ordinance, such petitions will be deemed denied unless the time period is extended by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Pope Francis Center has petitioned the City Council for a rezoning of certain property in the City of Detroit from R3 (Low Density Residential) and B6 (General Services) to PD (Planned Development) zoning district classification; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission report and recommendation on this request was received by the City Council on July 16, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the original 120 day period of viability for this request was to expire on November 13, 2019 and City Council acted to extend the review period for an additional 120 days until March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, various factors have again served to protract deliberations on this matter and delay final action; and

WHEREAS, this City Council has expressed the desire to extend the period of consideration for this petition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 50-3-17 of the City of Detroit Zoning Ordinance, the Detroit City Council hereby extends the time period for consideration of the request of the Pope Francis Center to rezone certain property in the City of Detroit, for an additional 120 days until July 8, 2020.