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AMENDED

TO: The Neighborhood and Community Services Standing Committee

FROM: David D. Whitaker
Legislative Policy Division Staff

DATE: March 19, 2020

RE: **Resolution to declare April 24th as “DJ Slick B Day”**

On February 3, 2020, the Honorable Council Pro Tem Mary Sheffield requested the Legislative Policy Division to draft a resolution to declare April 24th, this year and henceforth as “DJ Slick B Day.”

Attached, please find our draft of the resolution.

BY COUNCIL PRO TEM MARY SHEFFIELD AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT BRENDA JONES

RESOLUTION TO DECLARE APRIL 24th AS 'DJ SLICK B DAY'

WHEREAS, The mission of the Detroit City Council is to promote the economic, cultural and physical welfare of Detroit's citizens through Charter-mandated legislative functions; and

WHEREAS, Byron Gilbert "DJ Slick B", aka "The Flyest DJ on the Planet," was born April 24, 1991 and raised on the west side of Detroit. DJ Slick B was a popular Detroit DJ with a growing following. DJ Slick B's ambition and dedication positioned him to be one of the best in his profession; and

WHEREAS, He worked as the DJ at Club Annex and Quiet Storm on Tuesday night with Justin Floyd. He has also traveled the country playing in clubs for celebrities; and

WHEREAS, He was also known for his philanthropic contributions as well volunteering his time to help worthy causes around the city of Detroit. For the past few years he donated to Pro Tem Mary Sheffield's annual holiday toy drive and performed at Detroit City Council President Brenda Jones' Infinite Scholars Scholarship Fair in order to provide a fun atmosphere; and

WHEREAS, DJ Slick B has always had an extraordinary ear for music. There was a time when he was labeled "The Aux Cord King", because he was known for playing music or DJ'ing through any available device; and

WHEREAS, On February 7, 2020, Byron Gilbert, was tragically murdered outside of a venue where he was set to perform, by senseless gun violence. Forever changing the lives of his three children and taking him away from the rest of us far too early; and

WHEREAS, Luxx Media Group CEO Jade Renee said of DJ Slick B, "Byron was a phenomenal person, a family man, a DJ, a friend to us, a loved one to many and an all-around pure motivation for our city of Detroit, "All he ever wanted to do was put on for Detroit in the most positive authentic way"; and

WHEREAS, The Detroit City Council hereby acknowledges the life and accomplishments of the family man, mentor, motivator, innovator and local legend, Byron "DJ Slick B" Gilbert; and

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council hereby designates April 24th this year and henceforth as DJ Slick B in the city of Detroit.

March 19, 2020