

**A RESOLUTION  
ENDORING THE**

**2004 MILLION MOM MARCH**

By COUNCIL MEMBER McPHAIL:

WHEREAS, The Million Mom March Organization will be marching Mother's Day, May 9, 2004, and

WHEREAS, Million Mom March Organization has worked tirelessly on issues affecting families and children, and

WHEREAS, Firearm violence has been identified by the Million Mom March as a major threat to American families across all ethnic, racial, social and income groups, and

WHEREAS, The United States continues to have the highest number of firearm killing of any industrialized country with 120,000 Americans killed including 13,000 children, and

WHEREAS, The City of Detroit in 2002 had the highest child homicide rate per capita in the country, and

WHEREAS, In recent weeks firearm violence has escalated in the City of Detroit taking the lives of more than eighteen (18) citizens including some children, and

WHEREAS, In many of these cases it was the same individual responsible for the multiple firearm homicides, and

WHEREAS, The Million Mom March Organization has vigorously lobbied for stronger firearm legislation, renewal of the Brady Bill and the Assault Weapons Ban, and

WHEREAS, The Million Mom March Organization has effectively operated and advocated public education and awareness on firearm violence and firearm safety, AND THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council hereby endorses the efforts of the Million Mom March and the Detroit Chapter and we urge the citizens of this city to join the Million Moms, dads, children, families and all those who care about the safety of our children, as they march again in Washington, D.C. on Mother's Day, May 9, 2004.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Bates, K. Cockrel, Jr., S. Cockrel, Collins, Everett, McPhail, Tinsley-Talabi, Watson, and President Mahaffey — 9.

Nays — None.

**RESOLUTION**

By Council Member Tinsley-Talabi:

Resolved, That in accordance with the attached communication the Department of Public Works on behalf of the City of Detroit is authorized to accept the jurisdiction of the following streets from Michigan Department of Transportation and Mr. James A. Jackson, Director of Department of Public Works is authorized to execute the memorandum of understanding on behalf of the City of Detroit.

Old I-96 Business Spur (BS)/ Washington Boulevard, from the centerline of US-12/Michigan Avenue northerly to the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Clifford Street, a distance of 0.21 miles, in control section 82121.

M-1/Woodward Avenue, from the centerline of Grand River Avenue northwesterly to the centerline of Adams Street, a distance of 0.23 miles, in control section 82131.

Old I-96 BS/Clifford Street, from the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Middle Street easterly to the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Washington Boulevard, a distance of 0.12 miles, in control section 82121.

Old I-96 BS/Grand River Avenue, from the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Washington Boulevard northwesterly to the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Middle Street (at Cass Street), a distance of 0.18 miles, in control section 82121.

Old I-96 BS/Middle Street, from the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Grand River Avenue northeasterly to the centerline of Old I-96 BS/Clifford Street, a distance of 0.08 miles, in control section 82121.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas — Council Members Bates, K. Cockrel, Jr., S. Cockrel, Collins, Everett, McPhail, Tinsley-Talabi, Watson, and President Mahaffey — 9.

Nays — None.

**TESTIMONIAL RESOLUTION  
FOR**

**MICHIGAN ASHANTI BUSINESS  
ASSOCIATION**

By COUNCIL MEMBER WATSON:

WHEREAS, The Michigan Ashanti will embark on a trade mission February 17-19, 2004 to Kumasi, Ghana to foster and enhance trade relations between the nation of Ghana and the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, This relationship will prove beneficial to both and is especially important to the manufacturing sectors of each and this trade mission will explore cooperative relations to permit the transfer of technology and expertise, and

WHEREAS, The Governor of Ashanti region will host the mission which will include distinguished Detroiters such as the Honorable Kwame Kenyatta of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners, Mobile Clinics International CEO, Rick Johnson, award-winning photo journalist Monica Morgan, and DeWayne Boyd representing the Black Farmers, who will be received by President John Kufuor and Mrs. Kufuor, and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Ashanti Business Association will have the opportunity to meet and talk with the Ministers of Trade, Development, and Tourism and the Ghana Association of Industries representing the textile, construction, and road development industries among