

City of New Bedford

January 27, 2022

The Honorable City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Ordinances at a Meeting held on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting, that the Director of Personnel provide a list of all City and public school positions that are paid less than \$15/hour, and all positions whose annual rate calculates to less than \$15/hour; and further, that the Committee on Ordinances review said list and explore any legislative or other options that may be implemented by the City Council for assuring that City employees and public school employees are fairly compensated for their labor; and further, move that the attached Ordinances from the Cities of Boston and Northampton be referred to the Committee on Ordinances to determine whether similar local legislation may be an option for New Bedford. (Ref'd 06/10/2021)

On motion by Councillor Abreu and seconded by Councillor Lima, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council go on record that all City Employees and School Department Employees be paid not less than the State minimum wage. (To be Referred to the Mayor and School Department) This motion passed on a Roll Call Vote of Yeas 8, Nays 0, with Councillors Carney and Giesta not present for the vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

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