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for implementing a pilot SEED universal basic income program based on the Stockton model.

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ALD. LEWIS, KOVAC, COGGS, JOHNSON, HAMILTON, BAUMAN, RAINEY AND STAMPER Resolution directing the Administration Director to develop and present a plan to the Common Council for implementing a pilot SEED universal basic income program based on the Stockton model.

This resolution directs the Administration Director to develop and present a plan to the Common Council for implementing a pilot SEED universal basic income program based on the Stockton model. The Administration Director shall present this plan to the Common Council within 4 months of adoption of this resolution.

Whereas, The 2020 Budget was adopted by Common Council File Number 190001 on November 26, 2019; and

Whereas, Amendment 7B placed a footnote in the Budget stating, "The Administration Director shall develop and present to the Common Council a plan for implementing a pilot SEED universal basic income program based on the Stockton model"; and

Whereas, In February, 2019, the city of Stockton, California piloted the country's first municipal guaranteed income initiative; and

Whereas, The Stockton Economic Empowerment Demonstration (SEED) program gives 125

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Stockton residents an unconditional \$500-a-month payment for 18 months; and

Whereas, Guaranteed income programs allow low-income and working class individuals to decide for themselves where extra income would help the most; and

Whereas, Preliminary reports from Stockton indicate that the majority of participants spent their funds on food, merchandise, and utilities; and

Whereas, Milwaukee suffers from many of the same racial and economic disparities that Stockton aimed to overcome through this program; and

Whereas, Universal basic income could significantly improve the lives of Milwaukee residents who live at or below the poverty line; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Administration Director is directed to develop and present a plan to the Common Council for implementing a SEED universal basic income program based on the Stockton model; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Administration Director shall present this plan to the Common Council within 4 months of adoption of this resolution.

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