#### **MEMO FROM COUNCIL OFFICE:**

To: Members of the Common Council

From: Stephen Lucas, Council Administrator/Attorney

**Date:** March 28, 2024

Re: Resolution 2024-08 - A Resolution Calling for a Cessation of Hostilities and for Delivery

of Humanitarian Aid to Civilians in Gaza

## **Synopsis**

This resolution is sponsored by Councilmembers Piedmont-Smith and Rollo. It calls for national leaders to work toward a cessation of hostilities directed at innocent civilians in Gaza, a multilateral ceasefire to allow for the provision of humanitarian aid backed by significant financial support, the release of all hostages, and a lasting solution to the conflict between Palestinians and the State of Israel.

#### **Relevant Materials**

- Resolution 2024-08
- Memo from Councilmembers Piedmont-Smith and Rollo

# **Summary**

Councilmembers Piedmont-Smith and Rollo are sponsoring this resolution, which calls on national leaders to work toward a multilateral ceasefire in Gaza. Similar types of resolutions have been passed by other cities across the United States, including Chicago, Illinois; Seattle, Washington; St. Louis, Missouri; Ann Arbor, Michigan; among many others. A <u>U.S. Municipal Ceasefire Resolution Tracker map</u> shows the localities that have passed or proposed local items of legislation calling for a ceasefire.

The resolution directs the City Clerk to send a copy of the legislation, once signed, to Indiana's Congressional delegation and to President Biden. The sponsors do not anticipate any fiscal impact to the City as a result of this resolution.

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