



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

December 21, 2016

Mayor Muriel Bowser  
Mayor  
Government of the District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20004

Chairman Phil Mendelson  
Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504  
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Mr. Brian Kenner  
Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development  
Government of the District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 317  
Washington, DC 20004

RE: Golden Triangle BID's Proposal for the Appointment of a DC Government Leader to Coordinate DC Government Agency Activities During Overnight Hours in Nightlife Areas

Dear Mayor Bowser, Chairman Mendelson, and Deputy Mayor Kenner:

At its regular meeting on December 14, 2016, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 9 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (9-0-0):

WHEREAS, ANC 2B began to work on and address nightlife management when, in April of 2010, the ANC passed the Club Central Resolution to mitigate the effects of the concentration of late-night activity in the area south of Dupont Circle,

WHEREAS, hospitality is the number two industry in the District of Columbia, responsible for nearly 60,000 jobs and \$2.8 billion in revenue,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle area and the central business district are home to more than 100 licensed hotels, restaurants, and nightlife venues that are the drivers of that economic engine,

WHEREAS, the nighttime economy is growing ever larger and more complex, requiring a multi-agency governmental approach to matters including health, waste collection, safety, transportation, law enforcement, and public safety,

WHEREAS, many District agencies are currently set up to manage regulatory issues during the day, and have limited staffing and resources available at night to manage waste collection, parking, occupancy, and other issues,

WHEREAS, the recent change of service hours for Metrorail has demonstrated the need for a coordinated response to the resultant transportation problems, including late night traffic gridlock, confusion and pedestrian safety issues involving ridesharing services, and the difficulty for emergency responders and buses trying to navigate the traffic tie-ups,

WHEREAS, other cities in the U.S., Canada, and Europe are seeing similar nightlife issues and some have already established nightlife coordinators or so-called Night Mayors/Managers and multiagency teams of government and industry officials to proactively tackle issues and problems and coordinate agency responses, and

WHEREAS, the Golden Triangle Business Improvement District (BID) has begun work on a pilot program, with positive input from the Metropolitan Police Department, affected District agencies, the Executive Office of the Mayor, the business community, industry advocates, and citizens groups.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B agrees that a best-practices-based approach to managing the nighttime economy, coordinated across city agencies and with the input of businesses and residents – would be beneficial to the District on many levels.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B applauds the Golden Triangle BID for their initiative to pilot a new approach to fostering a more safe and vibrant neighborhood nightlife while also minimizing negative impacts – and strongly urges all parties, including appropriate District agencies, to designate members for the pilot task force group and actively participate in this program for the public good and welfare of our neighborhood and the District as a whole.

Commissioners Mike Silverstein ([mike.silverstein@dupontcircleanc.net](mailto:mike.silverstein@dupontcircleanc.net)) and Nicole Mann ([nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net](mailto:nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net)) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nicole Mann  
Chair