



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

March 17, 2013

The Honorable Vincent Gray, Mayor
District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Suite 316
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library

At its regular meeting on March 13, 2013 the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) discussed the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library. With seven of the eight Commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (7-0):

WHEREAS, District of Columbia Public Libraries (DCPL) are a valued and important part of the quality of life for District residents;

WHEREAS, Public libraries should be designed to meet the needs of the residents, to ensure they contain the resources to meet the needs of the community at large; and

WHEREAS, ANCs are the elected bodies closest to the local communities; and

WHEREAS, A Citizen Task Force that provides a transparent public process would help ensure that decisions about the future of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library adequately reflect the needs of residents and library users.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B urges Mayor Grey and the City Council to convene a “Citizen Task Force on the Future of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library” as soon as feasible and before undertaking any decisions with regard to the projected “transformation” of the central library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANCs shall be duly represented on the Task Force.

Commissioners Stephanie Maltz(stephanie.maltz@dupontcircleanc.net), Mike Feldstein (mike.feldstein@dupontcircleanc.net), and Will Stephens (will.stephens@dupontcircleanc.net) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William F. Stephens". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Will Stephens, Chair