



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

May 17, 2019

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RE: DC's Vision Zero Initiative

Dear Mayor Bowser and Chairman Mendelson:

At its regular meeting on May 8, 2019, 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, residents of ANC 2B are dismayed by the recent deaths of pedestrians and bicyclists on DC streets,

WHEREAS, Dave Salovesh, a staunch road safety advocate and friend of many Dupont Circle residents, was killed while on a bicycle on April 19, 2019,

WHEREAS, Dupont Circle, in particular, was impacted by last year's deaths of Jeffrey Hammond Long and Carlos Sanchez-Martin while using a bicycle and a scooter,

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia established a Vision Zero Initiative in 2015 to eliminate road deaths by 2024,

WHEREAS, rather than reducing towards zero, road deaths in the District of Columbia have gone up year over year since 2015 with the rate of traffic deaths in 2019 on par with 2018,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that Vision Zero prioritizes system-wide street design and infrastructure changes to reduce traffic deaths above focusing on education to influence individual behavior,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B appreciates efforts made towards Vision Zero District-wide and in our community to influence individual behavior including education, enforcement, signage, and roadway markings,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that these efforts have led to severely insufficient progress towards Vision Zero in terms of system-wide street design and infrastructure changes, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that more action is needed in order to create complete and safe streets for residents who choose to walk, bike, and use low-carbon impact personal transportation options.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges Mayor Bowser, the DC Council, and agencies of the DC Government to prioritize system-wide street design and infrastructure changes to realistically and quantifiably achieve the vision of Vision Zero by 2024.

Commissioners Matthew Sampson (2B01@anc.dc.gov) and Daniel Warwick (2B02@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniel Warwick". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Daniel Warwick
Chair