

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

August 21, 2017

Mr. Jeff Marootian Interim Director District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003 jeffrey.marootian@dc.gov

RE: DDOT's Downtown West Transportation Planning Study

Dear Interim Director Marootian:

At its regular meeting on August 9, 2017, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (8-0-0):

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) proposes a contraflow bus lane on H Street NW between Pennsylvania Avenue and New York Avenue, and protected bike lanes on Pennsylvania Avenue between 17th Street and Washington Circle.

WHEREAS, 20% of bus trips in Downtown DC are along H Street and I Street NW, and this project would dramatically speed up these trips and trips throughout the District of Columbia,

WHEREAS, the increased speed of these bus trips will result in the same amount of bus service with fewer service hours, allowing DDOT to further expand bus service — including along the 14th Street and 16th Street corridors — with the reinvestment of these saved service hours,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B applauds DDOT for introducing innovative transportation improvements such as contraflow bus lanes and encourages continued mobility innovation District-wide and especially within ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B understands that there are concerns from local businesses and hotels regarding loading zones and encourages DDOT to continue to work with these businesses to ameliorate concerns, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is proud to join groups such as the Coalition for Smarter Growth in supporting these critical infrastructure improvements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports DDOT's Downtown West Transportation Planning Study, and the recommended alternatives, as proposed.

Commissioners Randy Downs (<u>randy.downs@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) and Nicole Mann (<u>nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Nicole Mann

Chair