

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

November 21, 2017

Councilmember Jack Evans
Chair, Committee on Finance and Revenue
Council of the District of Columbia
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RE: DC Council Bill B22-0559 – the "Dupont Circle Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2017"

Dear Councilmember Evans:

At its regular meeting on November 8, 2017, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 6 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0):

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is proud to represent the livable, walkable, urban neighborhood of Dupont Circle,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B strongly believes in the power of placemaking and place management to improve the vibrancy and built environment of our neighborhood,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID) boundary is proposed to include portions of 22nd Street, P Street, Dupont Circle, Massachusetts Avenue, and Connecticut Avenue NW within ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, across the District of Columbia, business improvement districts are powerful allies with neighbors in managing and improving neighborhoods,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B supports the goals of the Dupont Circle BID:

- To increase sales and occupancy
- To increase property values
- To improve the perception of the area, both for consumers and investors
- To increase visitation to area attractions and businesses
- To improve the retail mix and quality of retail
- To raise the stature of the area with public sector leaders and agency directors
- To improve the public space, including parks and streetscapes, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is excited for the Dupont Circle BID to manage the planned "cap park" over the Connecticut Avenue NW underpass.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the establishment of a Dupont Circle Business Improvement District through the passage of DC Council Bill B22-0559 – the "Dupont Circle Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2017."

Commissioners Daniel Warwick (<u>daniel.warwick@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) and Nicole McEntee (<u>nicole.mcentee@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Nicole McEntee

Chair