



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

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RE: Proposal to Install Rainbow Crosswalks on 17th Street NW for Capital Pride 2017

Dear Mr. Zimbabwe and Mr. Marcou:

At its regular meeting on May 10, 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, the rainbow flag is an internationally-recognized symbol of awareness and acceptance of diversity as well as a symbol for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) community,

WHEREAS, the Dupont Circle neighborhood and the District of Columbia pride themselves in not only “tolerating” the LGBTQ community but rather embracing the LGBTQ community and working to foster equality and inclusiveness,

WHEREAS, in recognition of the longstanding presence of LGBTQ people who live, work, and patronize businesses along 17th Street NW, former DC Mayor Adrian Fenty dedicated a section of 17th Street between P Street and R Street NW as Frank Kameny Way in honor of the late DC gay rights pioneer Frank Kameny,

WHEREAS, many other cities have commemorated the special role of the LGBTQ community by painting crosswalks with the rainbow flag. In particular, San Francisco had done so in the historic heart of their LGBTQ community on Castro Street, Seattle painted crosswalks in their Capitol Hill neighborhood, and Vancouver has done so at their Jim Deva Plaza,

WHEREAS, a majority of the businesses along Frank Kameny Way have expressed support for painting the crosswalks rainbow,

WHEREAS, installing temporary rainbow crosswalks on Frank Kameny Way would further showcase the Dupont Circle neighborhood and the District of Columbia's support for the LGBTQ community,

WHEREAS, various Councilmembers, the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs, the District Department of Transportation, the District Department of Energy and Environment, and the Office of Planning have given their support for installing temporary rainbow crosswalks on Frank Kameny Way, and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the painting of the temporary rainbow crosswalks, District of Columbia representatives have indicated that the painting should be coordinated with the 2017 Capital Pride Parade.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the District of Columbia Government grant all appropriate permits and approvals for and support the implementation of painting temporary rainbow crosswalks on Frank Kameny Way for the day of the Capital Pride Parade on Saturday, June 10th, 2017.

Commissioners Randy Downs ([randy.downs@dupontcircleanc.net](mailto:randy.downs@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 Mann', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nicole Mann  
Chair