



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

October 15, 2009

Superintendent Adrienne A. Coleman  
Rock Creek Park  
3545 Williamsburg Lane NW  
Washington, DC 20008

Re: Resolution regarding Draft White-tailed Deer Management Program/Environmental Impact Statement for Rock Creek Park

Dear Superintendent Coleman:

At its regular meeting on October 14, 2009, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B") or ("Commission") considered the above referenced matter. With nine of nine Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-3), with three abstentions:

*WHEREAS, Dupont Circle ANC 2B is the elected body representing approximately 20,000 residents of the Dupont Circle neighborhood of Washington, DC, and*

*WHEREAS, the western border of Dupont Circle ANC 2B includes a portion of Rock Creek Park, and*

*WHEREAS, deer ticks spreading Lyme Disease have become a serious health hazard in areas of the park bordering on ANC 2B, with several constituents reporting they and/or their pets have suffered tick bites and/or Lyme Disease, with some areas of the park so overrun by ticks that they are now avoided completely, and*

*WHEREAS, the National Park Service is seeking public comment on its plan to manage the population of white tailed deer within Rock Creek Park, a population that has been growing steadily in recent years in the absence of any predators,*

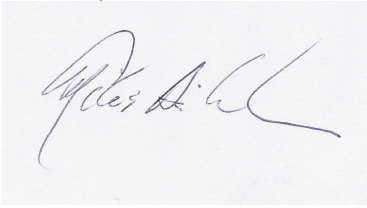
*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dupont Circle ANC 2B supports the need to immediately reduce and bring the white tailed deer population within the Park under control, as a matter of public health and safety, and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Dupont Circle ANC 2B urges the National Park Service to do so as safely and humanely as possible.*

I am the Commission's representative in this matter. You can reach me at [mike.silverstein@dupontcircleanc.net](mailto:mike.silverstein@dupontcircleanc.net) or by telephone at 202-833-4440 for further information.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Silverstein", written on a light-colored background.

Mike Silverstein  
Chairman