



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

October 15, 2009

Vincent Gray, Chairman
Wilson Bldg. Rm 504
1350 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Resolution to support the Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality
Amendment Act of 2009

Dear Chairman Gray:

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 unanimous vote (9-0):

Whereas, on February 11, 2009, ANC 2B unanimously approved a motion urging the D.C. Council to introduce legislation recognizing the right of same-gender couples in the District of Columbia; and

Whereas, on October 5, 2009, the D.C. Council’s Committee on Health introduced with overwhelming sponsorship of other Council members the Religious Freedom and Civil Marriage Equality Amendment Act of 2009, which extends the right to marry in the District to same gender couples; and

Whereas, the right to have one’s bond of marriage recognized by the government is a fundamental right and a matter of basic human dignity; and

Whereas, the bond of marriage to sustain and support one another in love, companionship, shared economic responsibilities, loyalty, and aging is the same regardless of the gender or genders of the married couple;

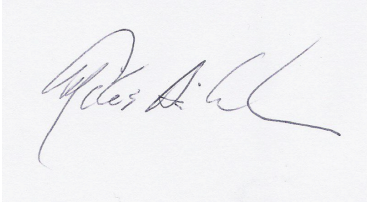
Therefore, be it resolved that ANC 2B urges the D.C. Council to legalize same-gender marriages without delay; and

Be it further resolved that the Chairman send a letter to all D.C. Council members in accordance with this resolution with copies to all ANCs.

Commissioner Bob Meehan is the Commission's representative in this matter. You can reach him at bob.meehan@dupontcircleanc.net or by telephone at 202-234-5151 for further information.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mike Silverstein", is centered below the word "Sincerely,". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Mike Silverstein
Chairman