

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING**

on

**Bill 22-117, Walter Alley Designation Act of 2017
Bill 22-518, Ernest Everett Just Court Designation Act of 2017
Bill 22-531, Louis Mailou Jones Alley Designation Act of 2017
Bill 22-538, Watkins Alley Designation Act of 2017
Bill 22-557, Israel Baptist Church Way Designation Act of 2017
Bill 22-586, Al and Mary Arrighi Way Designation Act of 2017
Bill 22-629, Swampdoodle Park Designation Act of 2017
And
Bill 22-664, Lawrence Boone, Sr. School Designation Act of 2018**

on

**Monday, February 26, 2018
11:30 a.m., Hearing Room 412, John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004**

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing before the Committee of the Whole on **Bill 22-117**, the “Walter Alley Designation Act of 2017”; **Bill 22-518**, the “Ernest Everett Just Court Designation Act of 2017”; **Bill 22-531**, the “Louis Mailou Jones Alley Designation Act of 2017”; **Bill 22-538**, the “Watkins Alley Designation Act of 2017”; **Bill 22-557**, the “Israel Baptist Church Way Designation Act of 2017”; **Bill 22-586**, the “Al and Mary Arrighi Way Designation Act of 2017”; **Bill 22-629**, the “Swampdoodle Park Designation Act of 2017”; and **Bill 22-664**, the “Lawrence Boone, Sr. School Designation Act of 2018”. The hearing will be held at **11:30 a.m.** on **Monday, February 26, 2018** in **Hearing Room 412** of the John A. Wilson Building.

The stated purpose of **Bill 22-117** is to officially designate the alley in Square 756, between Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., and C Street, N.E., in Ward 6, as Walter Alley. The stated purpose of **Bill 22-518** is to officially designate the alley that runs east and west between the 1800 blocks of 4th Street, N.W. and 5th Street, N.W., and the 400 blocks of Florida Avenue, N.W., and T Street, N.W., in Ward 1, as “Ernest Everett Just Court” after the acclaimed biologist and Howard University professor who lived in property on the alley. The stated purpose of **Bill 22-531** is to officially designate the alley that runs east and west between the 3100 blocks of Warder Street, N.W., and Park Place, N.W., and the 300 blocks of Kenyon Street, N.W. and Irving Street, N.W., in Ward 1, as “Lois Mailou Jones Alley” after the acclaimed artist who lived at a property near the alley. The stated purpose of **Bill 22-538** is to officially designate the alley in Square 1043 that runs east and west between the 500 blocks of 13th Street, S.E., and 14th Street, S.E., and the 1300 blocks of E Street, S.E., and Pennsylvania Avenue, S.E., in Ward 6, as Watkins Alley in recognition of Catherine Watkins, the District’s Director of Kindergartens in the early 20th century. An official naming typically involves the designation of postal addresses and the primary entrance for residences or offices.

The stated purpose of **Bill 22-557** is to symbolically designate the 1200 block of Saratoga Avenue, N.E., in Ward 5, as Israel Baptist Church Way. The stated purpose of **Bill 22-586** is to symbolically designate the alley located in Square 965 between 10th Street, N.E. and 11th Street, N.E., and Constitution Avenue, N.W., in Ward 6, as Al and Mary Arrighi Way. A symbolic naming is for ceremonial purposes and shall be in addition to and subordinate to any name that is an official name.

The stated purpose of **Bill 22-629** is to designate the park located at 3rd and L Streets, N.E., in Ward 6, as Swampdoodle Park. The stated purpose of **Bill 22-664** is to officially designate the school (currently known as Orr Elementary School) located in in Square 5561, Lot 822, bounded by Nicholson Street, S.E., Prout Street, S.E., 22nd Street S.E., and Minnesota Avenue, S.E., in Ward 8, as Lawrence Boone, Sr. School.

Those who wish to testify are asked to email the Committee of the Whole at cow@dccouncil.us, or call Sydney Hawthorne at (202) 724-7130, and to provide your name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation and title (if any) by close of business **Thursday, February 22, 2018**. Persons wishing to testify are encouraged, but not required, to submit 15 copies of written testimony. If submitted by the close of business on February 22, 2018 the testimony will be distributed to Councilmembers before the hearing. Witnesses should limit their testimony to four minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses. Copies of the legislation can be obtained through the Legislative Services Division of the Secretary of the Council's office or on <http://lims.dccouncil.us>. Hearing materials, including a draft witness list, can be accessed 24 hours in advance of the hearing at <http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/circulation>.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to the Committee of the Whole, Council of the District of Columbia, Suite 410 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on March 12, 2018.