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**COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT C. GRAY, CHAIR
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH**

ANNOUNCE A JOINT PUBLIC HEARING ON:

B22-207, the “East End Health Care Desert, Retail Desert, and Food Desert Elimination Act of 2017”

Friday, May 19, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Room 500 - John A. Wilson Building

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

Chairman Phil Mendelson, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie, Chairman of the Committee on Business and Economic Development, and Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairman of the Committee on Health, announce a joint public hearing to be held on Friday, May 19, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 500, of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

B22-207, the “East End Health Care Desert, Retail Desert, and Food Desert Elimination Act of 2017” amends the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007 to require the construction of a new community hospital on the St. Elizabeths campus; to establish the East End Medical Center Fund; and to establish the East End Grocery and Retail Incentive Program within the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development.

The Committee invites the public to testify at the hearing. Those who wish to testify should contact Cherita Whiting, Committee Legislative Clerk at (202) 727-7774 or cwhiting@dccouncil.us, and provide your name, organizational affiliation (if any), and title with the organization, preferably by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2017. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the hearing. The Committee allows individuals 3 minutes to provide oral testimony in order to permit each witness an opportunity to be heard. Additional written statements are encouraged and will be made part of the official record. Written statements may be submitted by e-mail to cwhiting@dccouncil.us or mailed to: Council of the District of Columbia, 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Suite 113, Washington D.C. 20004.