COUNCILMEMBER VINCENT C. GRAY, CHAIR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE ON

"THE FY18 AND FY19 CAPITAL BUDGET FOR UNITED MEDICAL CENTER"

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2017 2:00 P.M., ROOM 500, JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING 1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W. WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairman of the Committee on Health, announces a public oversight roundtable on the "The FY18 and FY19 Capital Budget for the United Medical Center", to be held on Friday, June 23, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

The budget passed by Council on June 13, 2017 contained a cut of \$9 million in FY18 and \$8 million FY19 to the capital budget approved by the Committee for the United Medical Center. During the budget oversight process, the Committee received documents from the hospital and the Department of Health Care Finance detailing the amount of funding needed for required improvements to the existing facility. Due to the proposed cuts, there is concern as to whether the capital budget for the United Medical Center is sufficient to protect the patient safety of District residents. The potential impact of the cuts is further exacerbated by the decision to push the construction of a new East End Medical Center, which was scheduled to begin in FY19 after the Committee's markup, back two years to FY21. The purpose of this roundtable is to hear from the hospital and Department of Health Care Finance leadership as to whether the capital funding for the United Medical Center is adequate for FY18 and FY19.

The Committee invites the public to testify at the roundtable. Those who wish to testify should contact Malcolm Cameron, Committee Legislative **Analyst** at (202)654-6179 mcameron@dccouncil.us, and provide your name, organizational affiliation (if any), and title with the organization. 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 mcameron@dccouncil.us or mailed to: Council of the District of Columbia, 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Suite 113, Washington D.C. 20004.