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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

1 To declare the Sense of the Council that the District of Columbia is committed to equitable
2 funding.

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4 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
5 resolution may be cited as the “Sense of the Council Urging Fair and Equitable Funding for
6 Ward 8 Public Schools Resolution of 2019.”

7 Sec. 2. The Council finds that:

8 (1) Ward 8 schools in comparison to all wards are the most negatively impacted
9 due to the most massive loss in enrollment projections and therefore budget allocation.

10 (2) Ward 8 has the largest percentage of “at-risk” students (80%+).

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12 (3) Ward 8 schools are at a greater disadvantage and per the FY2020 proposed budget
13 these schools will be inequitably funded.

14 (4) Ballou High School & Anacostia High School have a budget loss of \$484,775.

15 (5) Hart Middle School had a zero change in enrollment but with a budget loss of
16 \$132,978.

17 (7) Garfield Elementary School, Hendley Elementary School, Martin Luther

18 Elementary School, Moten Elementary School, Savoy Elementary School, and Malcolm X
19 Elementary School, all had minimal loss but a drastic budget loss of \$2,971,823.

20 (8) A total budget loss of \$4,645,277 for 10 Schools, with 4,067 Students.

21 (9) A real budget loss, including FY2020 without Security & Staff Cost Increase,
22 loss of \$10,705,621 for 15 schools.

23 Sec. 3. It is the sense of the Council that:

24 (1) We believe in supporting students in Ward 8 schools and therefore our
25 commitment to finding solutions that will nurture academic success.

26 (2) We support finding solutions to addressing funding issues for Ward 8 schools
27 and ensuring future funding reflects the Council's commitment for fair and equitable funding.

28 Sec. 4. Transmittal.

29 The Secretary shall transmit copies of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the Mayor,
30 Chancellor of the District of Columbia Public Schools, State Superintendent of Education and
31 the District of Columbia State Board of Education.

32 Sec. 5. Effective date.

33 This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in
34 the District of Columbia Register.

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