ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

on

B23-0923, the "Helping Children Impacted by Parental Incarceration Amendment Act of 2020"

Monday, November 9, 2020, 4:00 PM

Live via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast Council Channel 13 (Cable Television Providers) DC Council Website (www.dccouncil.us)

On Monday, November 9, 2020, Councilmember Robert C. White Jr., Chair of the Committee on Facilities and Procurement will hold a Public Hearing on B23-0923, the "Helping Children Impacted by Parental Incarceration Amendment Act of 2020". The public hearing will take place via the Zoom web conferencing platform at 4:00 PM. Members of the public will be able to view the public roundtable on cable television on Council Channel 13 or online at: https://dccouncil.us/council-videos/ or at: entertainment.dc.gov.

B23-0923, the "Helping Children Impacted by Parental Incarceration Amendment Act of 2020" was introduced on September 24, 2020, by Councilmembers Robert C. White, Jr., Elissa Silverman, Anita Bonds, Charles Allen, Trayon White, Sr., Mary M. Cheh, Brianne Nadeau, and Chairman Phil Mendelson. The legislation was referred to the Committee on Facilities and Procurement on October 6, 2020. The stated purpose of the legislation is to require the Office on Returning Citizen Affairs to assess the needs of children in the District of Columbia whose parents are incarcerated.

The Committee invites the public to testify remotely or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify must sign up in advance by contacting the Committee by e-mail at <u>facilities@dccouncil.us</u> or by phone at (202) 741-8593, and provide their name, phone number or e-mail, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by <u>the close of business on Friday.</u> <u>November 6, 2020</u>. Witnesses are encouraged, but not required, to submit their testimony in writing electronically in advance to <u>facilities@dccouncil.us</u>. Public witnesses will participate remotely and using audio only. The Committee will follow-up with witnesses with additional instructions on how to provide testimony through a web conferencing platform.

All public witnesses will be allowed a maximum of four minutes to testify, while Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners will be permitted five minutes to testify. At the discretion of the Chair, the length of time provided for oral testimony may be reduced due to schedule constraints.

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee on Facilities and Procurement of the need

as soon as possible but no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, however requests received in less than five (5) business days may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.

The Committee encourages the public to submit written testimony to be included for the public record. Copies of written testimony should be submitted by e-mail to <u>facilities@dccouncil.us</u>. The record for this public hearing will close at the close of business on Friday, November 13, 2020.