

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend An Act Authorizing the sale of certain real estate in the District of Columbia no longer required for public purposes to extend the time allowed for the disposition of District-owned real property located at 1336 8<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., formerly known for tax and assessment purposes as Lot 68 in Square 399 and now known for assessment and taxation purposes as Lots 844-848 and 7001-7006 in Square 399.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “8<sup>th</sup> & O Streets, N.W. Extension of Disposition Authority Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021”.

Sec. 2. (a) Pursuant to section 1 of An Act Authorizing the sale of certain real estate in the District of Columbia no longer required for public purposes, approved August 5, 1939 (53 Stat. 1211; D.C. Official Code § 10-801), on September 17, 2015 the Mayor transmitted to the Council a resolution for the disposition of the property located at 8<sup>th</sup>& O Streets, N.W., and known for tax and assessment purposes as Lot 68 in Square 399 (the “Property”). The Council approved the disposition pursuant to the 8<sup>th</sup>& O Street, N.W. Disposition Approval Resolution of 2015 (D.C. Resolution R21-0374; 63 DCR 1498) on February 12, 2016 (“Disposition Approval Resolution”).The Council thereafter approved the extension of disposition authority to February

32 2, 2020 pursuant to the Extension of Time to Dispose of 8th & O Streets, N.W., Act of 2018  
33 (D.C. Law L22-0209), which became law on February 22, 2019 (“Disposition Extension  
34 Approval Law”). The Council thereafter approved, among other things, the extension of  
35 disposition authority to September 15, 2020 pursuant to the Coronavirus Support Temporary  
36 Amendment Act of 2020 (D.C. Law 23-0130), which became law on October 9, 2020 (the  
37 “Additional Disposition Extension Approval Law”).

38 (b) The Property consists of approximately 13,306 square feet of land in the Shaw  
39 neighborhood of Ward 6. The intended use of the Property is a mixed-use development  
40 providing for affordable housing, market rate housing, retail and any ancillary uses allowed  
41 under applicable law.

42 (c) The Mayor’s authority to dispose of the Property under the Additional Disposition  
43 Extension Approval Law expired on September 15, 2020 without a closing of the Property.

44 (d) On March 11, 2020, the Mayor declared a Public Emergency in response to several  
45 presumptive and confirmed cases of the coronavirus (COVID-19) in the Washington, DC  
46 metropolitan region. The Public Emergency has been extended and is currently scheduled to  
47 expire on March 31, 2021. The person-to-person spread of COVID-19 makes it virtually certain  
48 that COVID-19 will have a significant impact on the District’s residents, businesses, visitors,  
49 students, and at-risk population.

50 (e) The Public Emergency will increase the need for affordable housing in the District of  
51 Columbia. As such, an extension of the disposition authority is necessary to provide the

52 Developer with the necessary time to close on the Property according to the 8th & O Streets,  
53 N.W. Extension of Disposition Authority Emergency Amendment Act of 2021.

54           Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances  
55 enumerated in Section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the 8<sup>th</sup>& O  
56 Streets, N.W. Extension of Disposition Authority Emergency Amendment Act of 2021 be  
57 adopted on an emergency basis.

58           Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.