


**Council of the District of Columbia
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TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson
FROM: Councilmember Trayon White, Sr. 
Chair, Committee on Recreation, Libraries and Youth Affairs
RE: Requests for the Committee of the Whole and Additional Legislative Meeting on
December 21, 2021
DATE: December 16, 2021

I request that the following measure be agendized for the Regular Meeting of the Committee of the Whole on December 21, 2021, and the Additional Legislative Meeting for that date that the measure be agendized for that meeting as well:

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PR-24-0397, the “Director of the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services Hilary Cairns Resolution of 2021”

Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) was established as a cabinet-level agency for the District’s juvenile justice system that was created by the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services Established Act of 2004. The mission of DYRS is to give court-involved youth the opportunity to become more productive citizens by building on the strengths of youths and their families in the least restrictive, most homelike environment consistent with public safety.

PR24-397 would confirm Hilary Cairns as the Director of DYRS. Ms. Cairns is a Ward 3 residents with more than 15 years of experience. The Committee on Recreation, Libraries, and Youth Affairs held a public roundtable on November 4, 2021 and a Committee markup on December 2, 2021 regarding Ms. Cairns and determined that her education, experience, and qualifications she met the criteria for recommendation. The Committee has therefore recommended that the Committee of the Whole and Council approve the measure.

The Committee Print and Report have been filed with the Secretary and requested to be placed on the agenda of Additional Legislative Meeting for December 21, 2021.

Please contact Tracey G. Jackson, PhD, JD, Committee Director, at tgjackson@dccouncil.us if you have any questions.

Cc: Office of the Secretary