

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Urban Forest Preservation Act of 2002 to authorize the Mayor to issue stop work orders to preserve Special Trees and Heritage Trees.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Urban Forest Preservation Stop Work Order Authority Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. (a) On March 1, 2022, the Council passed the Urban Forest Preservation Stop Work Order Authority Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, effective March 28, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-351; 69 DCR 2624) (“emergency act”), which expires on June 26, 2022.

(b) On April 5, 2022, the Council passed the Urban Forest Preservation Stop Work Order Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, enacted on May 3, 2022 (D.C. Act 24-393; 69 DCR 4408) (“temporary act”), which is undergoing congressional review.

(c) This emergency legislation is necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Urban

32 Forest Preservation Stop Work Order Authority Congressional Review Emergency Amendment

33 Act of 2022 be adopted after a single reading.

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