

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Chairman Phil Mendelson  
**From:** Councilmember Charles Allen CA  
**Date:** September 15, 2022  
**Subject:** Request to Agendize measures for the September 20, 2022 Legislative Meeting

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I request the following measures be agendized for the September 20, 2022 Legislative Meeting:

- “Department of For Hire Vehicles Delivery Vehicle Traffic Enforcement Expansion Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022”
- “Department of For Hire Vehicles Delivery Vehicle Traffic Enforcement Expansion Emergency Amendment Act of 2022”
- “Department of For Hire Vehicles Delivery Vehicle Traffic Enforcement Expansion Temporary Amendment Act of 2022”

As traffic deaths have continued to rise over the last several years, Councilmembers frequently hear complaints from residents about for-hire vehicles—including both vehicles defined as public and private vehicles-for-hire carrying passengers, as well as food and parcel delivery services, which are often hired through the same mobile application as public and private vehicles-for-hire. At a recent public meeting to discuss improving traffic safety as the second phase of the large Wharf development opens this fall in Southwest D.C., a representative from the Department of For Hire Vehicles (“DFHV”) explained that DFHV enforcement officers can issue citations for traffic violations by public and private vehicles-for-hire, but DFHV cannot issue citations to drivers making food, beverage, or parcel deliveries. Many drivers take requests for pick up and drop off of passengers at the same time they are also taking requests for food, beverage, or parcel deliveries—often through the same mobile application. This switching can make it difficult for a DFHV enforcement officer to determine if they are authorized to issue a traffic citation to a driver at a particular moment. As District businesses continue to re-open, and as new development projects open—like the large Wharf development in Southwest D.C., which is opening this fall—it is important that DFHV immediately has the authority to respond to dangerous driving behavior—whether the driver is transporting passengers or goods.

Ceremonial Resolutions

- “2022 Service Academy Appointment Ceremonial Recognition Resolution of 2022”

This resolution recognizes the 6 District students who will begin their careers at service academies this fall. There are 2 students from Wards 3, one from Ward 6, one from Ward 7, and 2 from Ward 8, and they graduated from School Without Walls, Banneker, Saint Albans, Jackson-Reed, and DeMatha High Schools. Four of the 6 will attend the US Naval Academy, 1 will be at the US Naval Academy Prep School, and 1 will be at the Merchant Marine Academy.

- “Capitol Hill Little League 10 and Under All Star Team and DC State Champions Recognition Resolution of 2022”

This resolution recognizes and congratulates the Capitol Hill Little League 10 and under All Star Team for the league’s first DC state championship.

Drafts of the measures are attached. If you have any questions regarding these measures, please contact Chris Laskowski, Legislative Director, on 202-531-9912 or [claskowski@dccouncil.us](mailto:claskowski@dccouncil.us).

cc: Members, Council of the District of Columbia  
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