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7 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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10 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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13 To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to extend the hours of
14 operation, sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages for on-premises
15 retailer, manufacturer, and temporary license holders during the 2022 World Cup
16 Tournament.

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18 RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That
19 this resolution may be cited as the “2022 World Cup Emergency Declaration Resolution
20 of 2022”.

21 Sec. 2. (a) The 2022 World Cup Tournament is scheduled to occur between
22 November 20, 2022 and December 18, 2022 in the host nation of Qatar. This event takes
23 place every 4 years and is a Super-Bowl-type sporting event for soccer fans. Qatar is
24 seven hours ahead of the District of Columbia. Notwithstanding the time difference,
25 local soccer fans are expected to watch the 2022 World Cup tournament regardless of the
26 hour. To meet the demand, some licensed establishments will likely want to amend their
27 hours for this sporting event. To allow on-premises retailers, manufacturers, and
28 temporary license holders to remain open for operation, sale, service, and consumption of
29 alcoholic beverages during the hours of the World Cup tournament, as has been done
30 previously, emergency action is necessary so that licensees can avail themselves of the
31 extended hours.

1 (b) Emergency legislation is needed to clarify that licensees seeking approval to
2 modify their hours for the 2022 World Cup Tournament shall be required to register with
3 ABRA and MPD to allow for the advance planning of staffing and resources.

4 (c) The emergency legislation requires registration to be completed no later than 3
5 calendar days before the first day of the 2022 World Cup Tournament. Consequently, it
6 is necessary for the Council to pass this legislation on an emergency basis.

7 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
8 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances, making it necessary that the
9 2022 World Cup Emergency Amendment Act of 2022 be adopted after a single reading.

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