COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Performance Oversight Hearing

on the

District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency Interagency Council on Homelessness Department of Human Services

Thursday, February 23rd, 2023 9:30 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Opening Remarks
- III. Witness Testimony
 - A. District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency
 - i) Public Witnesses
 - 1. William Jordan, Public Witness
 - 2. Janet A. Phoenix, Assistant Research Professor, George Washington University, Milken Institute School of Public Health
 - ii) Advisory Neighborhood Commissions
 - iii) Government Witnesses
 - 3. Christopher E. Donald, Executive Director, District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency
 - B. Interagency Council on Homelessness
 - i) Public Witnesses
 - 4. Tammy Seltzer, Director of Jail and Prison Advocacy Project, Disability Rights DC

- 5. Reginald Black, Owner/Housing Advocacy Director, Rahlowtisity/Serve Your City Ward 6 Mutual Aid
- 6. Rev. Vincent J. DeRosa, Pastor, St. Mary Mother of God Parish
- 7. Laura (LJ) Sislen, Campaign Organizer, DecrimPovertyDC
- ii) Advisory Neighborhood Commissions
- iii) Government Witnesses
 - 8. Theresa Silla, Director to End Homelessness, Interagency Council on Homelessness
- C. Department of Human Services
 - i) Public Witnesses
 - 9. Carlyssa Winstead, Program Manager, LAYC Drop-In Center
 - 10. Viviana M., Public Witness
 - 11. Maryuri R., Public Witness
 - 12. Francis Y., Public Witness
 - 13. Katherine T., Public Witness
 - 14. Isaias Guerrero, Congregation Action Network and Community Change
 - 15. Elias Johnson, Executive Director, Congregation Action Network
 - 16. Madhvi Bahl, Core Organizer, Migrant Solidarity Mutual Aid Network
 - 17. Mandi R., Public Witness
 - 18. Carlos W., Public Witness
 - 19. Mariel Vallano, Core Organizer, Migrant Solidarity Mutual Aid Network

- 20. Amy Fischer, Americas Advocacy Director, Amnesty International USA
- 21. Nechama Masliansky, Senior SOME Advisor, SOME, Inc.
- 22. Dean Hunter, CEO, Small Multifamily & Rental Owners Association
- 23. Judy Estey, Executive Director, The Platform of Hope
- 24. Sue Breitkopf, Chief Development Officer, Woodley House
- 25. Makenna Osborn, Policy Attorney, Children's Law Center
- 26. Rachel White, Senior Youth Policy Analyst, DC Action
- 27. Hanna Endale, Public Benefits Specialist, Legal Aid of DC
- 28. Adam Maier, Pathways to Housing DC
- 29. Christy Respress, Executive Director, Pathways to Housing DC
- 30. Tim Underwood, President/CEO, HopeOneSource
- 31. Temitope Fagbemi, Director, Technical Assistance and Training, District Alliance for Safe Housing (DASH)
- 32. Jennifer Robles, Associate Director, Empowerment Project, District Alliance for Safe Housing (DASH)
- 33. Kandice Louis, Senior Director, Programs, District Alliance for Safe Housing (DASH)
- 34. Koube Ngaaje, President & CEO, District Alliance for Safe Housing (DASH)
- 35. Taylar Nuevelle, Executive Director, Who Speaks For Me?
- 36. Ryan Trout, Chief Housing Officer, Coalition for Nonprofit Housing and Economic Development (CNHED)
- 37. Kelly Andreae, Executive Director, Georgetown Ministry Center
- 38. Janet Parker, Public Witness

- 39. Matthew Boucher, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Aid of the District of Columbia
- 40. Tiffany Bowens, Public Witness
- 41. Eden Arouna, Human Resource Manager, Wanda Alston Foundation
- 42. Ananya Bernardo, Operations Manager, Wanda Alston Foundation
- 43. Danny Rodas-Garcia, Deputy Director, Wanda Alston Foundation
- 44. June Crenshaw, Executive Director, Wanda Alston Foundation
- 45. Sonia Storck, Outreach Advocate, Wanda Alston Foundation
- 46. Kate Coventry, Deputy Director of Legislative Strategy, DC Fiscal Policy Institute
- 47. Queen Adesuyi, Senior National Policy Manager, Drug Policy Alliance
- 48. Markia Smith, Director of Cash Transfers & Guarantee Income, Capital Area Asset Builders (CAAB)
- 49. Joshua Drumming, Policy and Advocacy Fellow, Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless
- 50. Debby Shore, Executive Director and Founder, Sasha Bruce Youthwork
- 51. Danielle Anani, Public Witness
- 52. Robert Warren, Director, PFFC
- 53. Rachelle Ellison, Senior Mentor Advisor Fellow, Miriams Kitchen/PFFC
- 54. Kristen Thompson, Chief Executive Officer, Calvary Women's Services
- 55. Sandra Jackson, President and Chief Executive Officer, House of Ruth

- 56. Kenyatta Brunson, President and Chief Executive Officer, N Street Village
- 57. Wanda Steptoe, Executive Director, New Endeavors by Women
- 58. Petrina Williams, LICSW, LCSW-C, Former Program Participant, New Endeavors by Women
- 59. Lynn Amano, Director of Advocacy, Friendship Place
- 60. Jesse Rabinowitz, Senior Manager for Advocacy and Policy, Miriam's Kitchen
- 61. Nadia Malik, Advocacy Specialist, Miriam's Kitchen & The Way Home Campaign
- 62. Kate Baasch, SOAR Program Manager, Bread for the City
- 63. Perri Wilson, Legal Clinic Coordinator, NW, Bread for the City
- 64. Kat Peter, Vice President, AOBA
- 65. Eric Proctor, Public Witness
- 66. Kirsten Williams, Public Witness
- 67. Doug O'Connor, President, Chinatown East Condominiums HOA
- 68. Charlene Flaherty, Director of Policy and Advocacy, Community of Hope
- 69. Wayne Enoch, President, AFSCME Local 2401
- 70. Nicole Walter, Supportive Advocacy Services Director, DC SAFE
- 71. Monique Malizia, Advocate & TANF POWER Specialist, DC SAFE
- 72. Francwa Sims, Public Witness
- 73. Ashley Ruff, Fort DuPupont Civic Association

- 74. Dawn Dalton, Executive Director, DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- 75. Thomas Mangrum, Jr., Co-President, Project ACTION!
- 76. Jim Knight, President and Chief Executive Officer, Jubilee Housing
- 77. Catherine Crosland, Director for Homeless Outreach Development, Unity Health Care
- 78. Will Doyle, Pathways to Housing
- 79. Melody Webb, Executive Director, Mother's Outreach Network
- 80. Kevin Coates, People for Fairness
- 81. Carlos Carolina, People for Fairness Coalition/F.A.C.E.
- 82. Todd Wiggins, Public Witness
- 83. James Shabazz, Field Organizer, Organized Vendors for Economic Cooperation (O.V.E.C.)
- 84. Grant Colby, Intern, HIPS Advocacy
- 85. Ishan Heru, Chief Impact Officer, Community Connections
- 86. Jean Johnson, Ward 3 Housing Justice
- 87. Pamela Butler, Bread for the City
- 88. Shirley Foster, Public Witness
- 89. Tiffany Blakney, Legal & Advocacy Fellow, Mothers Outreach Network / DC Guaranteed Income Coalition
- 90. Erin Whelan, Executive Director, SMYAL
- 91. Renee Bowser, Ward 4 Committeewoman, DC DSC; DC Grassroots Planning Coalition Steering Committee; EmpowerDC
- 92. Leslie Perry, SMOA
- 93. Karen Lundregan, Public Witness

- 94. Valerie Mallory, Public Witness
- ii) Advisory Neighborhood Commissions
 - 95. Yannik Omictin, ANC 2A01
 - 96. Patricia Stamper, ANC 7C06
- iii) Government Witnesses
 - 97. Laura Zeilinger, Director, Department of Human Services
- IV. Adjournment