

**Council of the District of Columbia**

**MEMORANDUM**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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**TO:** Chairman Phil Mendelson  
**FROM:** Councilmember Charles Allen *CA*  
**RE:** Request to Agendize Measures for the March 7, 2023 Legislative Meeting  
**DATE:** March 2, 2023

I request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the March 7, 2023 Legislative Meeting:

Ceremonial Resolution

- “District of Columbia Music In Our Schools Month Recognition Resolution of 2023”

This ceremonial resolution would proclaim March as music education month in the District, recognizing music education's value and significance in schools and communities. Music In Our Schools Month is annually observed nationwide after being sponsored by the National Association for Music Education in 1985. It focuses on the need for and benefits of quality music education programs.

Emergency Legislation

- “Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”
- “Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2023”
- “Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Temporary Amendment Act of 2023”

On April 19, 2022, the Council passed the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Temporary Amendment Act of 2022, effective August 12, 2022 (D.C. Law 24-149; 69 DCR 11395) (“temporary law”). The temporary law is set to expire on March 25, 2023. The Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022, passed on 2nd reading on December 20, 2022 (Enrolled version of Bill 24-320) (“permanent legislation”) makes, with some modifications, the provisions of the temporary law permanent. The projected law date for the permanent legislation is May 11, 2023. This final round of emergency and temporary legislation is necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the expiration of the temporary law and the effective date of the permanent legislation.

Copies of these measures are attached. Please contact Kevin Whitfield, Senior Policy Advisor, at [kwhitfield@dccouncil.gov](mailto:kwhitfield@dccouncil.gov), with any questions.

cc: Members, Council of the District of Columbia  
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Office of the General Counsel  
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