COMMITTEE ON HOUSING

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

MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Phil Mendelson

FROM: Councilmember Robert C. White, Jr.

Chair, Committee on Housing

DATE: May 11, 2023

RE: Requests for May 16, 2023

I request that the following legislation be placed on the agenda for the legislative meeting of the Council on May 16, 2023:

Proposed Resolution

 PR25-0072, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development Colleen Green Confirmation Resolution of 2023

The Department on Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is the agency responsible for managing and monitoring the compliance of many of the District's housing production, housing preservation, and community development tools. Most notably, DHCD administers the Housing Production Trust Fund (HPTF), the District's leading source of funding for affordable housing production and preservation. DHCD is also the steward and compliance agency over several sources of federal funding and financial incentives from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, including the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, National Housing Trust Fund, and Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) programs.

Under its establishing law, DHCD is led by a director who is tasked with providing the Mayor information and advice on housing and community development matters, identifying and carrying out the necessary steps to meet the District's housing and community development needs, and ensuring compliance with statutory regulations. PR25-0072 would confirm the Mayor's nomination of Colleen Green to the position of DHCD Director. Ms. Green currently serves as Acting Director of DHCD and previously worked as Chief of Staff for the agency from 2007 to 2009. During her career, Ms. Green has held several positions in the development field, with responsibilities ranging from overseeing the underwriting of contracts to handling a \$60 million housing development portfolio to managing short-term housing projects like shelters and halfway houses.

Absent Council action, this nomination would be automatically deemed approved on May 18, 2023. The Committee on Housing held a roundtable with this nominee on March 14, 2023 and marked up the confirmation resolution on May 10, 2023 and OPLA has requested a Council vote on the appointment on May 16th. The Committee filed its report on the resolution yesterday and it is attached.