

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
COMMITTEE REPORT**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

TO: Members of the Council of the District of Columbia



FROM: Christina Henderson, Chairperson
Committee on Health

DATE: May 31, 2023

SUBJECT: PR25-229 - Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation
Resolution of 2023

The Committee on Health, to which PR25-229, the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023” was referred, reports favorably and recommends approval by the Council of the District of Columbia.

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I. BACKGROUND AND NEED

On April 27, 2023, Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced PR25-229, the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023,” which would confirm the appointment of Maisha Goss-Johns as a consumer member of the Board of Massage Therapy. Without Council action, this resolution would be deemed approved on June 17, 2023.

Pursuant to D.C. Code § 3–1202.15, the Board of Massage Therapy regulates the practice of massage therapy in the District of Columbia. The Board is comprised of five members appointed by the Mayor. Of the members of the Board, four shall be massage therapists licensed

in the District and one shall be a consumer member. Members of the Board shall be appointed for terms of 3 years.

Maisha Goss-Johns is nominated for appointment as the consumer member for a term to end October 29, 2025, replacing Tiffany Ferriss. With personal experience benefiting from massage therapy, Maisha understands the importance of proper licensure and believes her expertise as an attorney and regulatory professional can contribute to safeguarding the practice of massage therapy in the District. She is passionate about public service, protecting the well-being of residents and visitors, and bringing diverse perspectives to the Board of Massage Therapy. She is a Ward 4 resident.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee recommends the confirmation of Maisha Goss-Johns as a consumer member. Ms. Goss-Johns is qualified for her appointment to the Board of Massage Therapy based on several factors. Firstly, her extensive experience in law, both in international and domestic roles, equips her with valuable skills in regulatory compliance and strategic thinking. Secondly, her personal experience as a consumer of massage therapy, including its positive impact on her own mobility and well-being, gives her a firsthand understanding of the importance of licensed professionals and the trust placed in their hands. Additionally, her commitment to public service, demonstrated through her volunteer work and dedication to improving financial health, highlights her strong sense of responsibility towards the well-being of District residents. Lastly, her belief in the power of diverse perspectives and robust debates further strengthens her qualifications to contribute effectively to the Board's decision-making processes.

II. LEGISLATIVE CHRONOLOGY

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| April 27, 2023 | PR25-229, the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023” was introduced by the Chairman at the request of the Mayor. |
| May 2, 2023 | PR25-229 was referred to the Committee on Health. |
| May 05, 2023 | Notice of Intent to Act on PR25-229 published in the District of Columbia Register. |
| May 09, 2023 | Notice of Roundtable filed in the Office of Secretary. |
| May 12, 2023 | Notice of Roundtable Published in the District of Columbia Register. |
| May 16, 2023 | Notice of Roundtable filed in the Office of Secretary. |
| May 19, 2023 | Notice of Roundtable Published in the District of Columbia Register. |
| May 31, 2023 | Consideration and vote on PR25-229 by the Committee on Health. |

III. POSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE

The Committee did not receive any additional comments from the Executive.

IV. ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION

The Committee did not receive comments from any Advisory Neighborhood Commission.

V. SUMMARY OF STATEMENT

The Committee on Health requested responses to a questionnaire, as well as a brief written statement, from Ms. Maisha Goss-Johns. In these documents, Ms. Goss-Johns expressed her gratitude for the nomination and shared her deep commitment to serving the residents of the District as a member of the Board of Massage Therapy. She highlighted her 20-year residency and active involvement in the community, including volunteer work and serving as a Court Appointed Special Advocate. With a professional background in law and extensive experience in the diplomatic corps and private sector, Ms. Goss-Johns brings valuable skills in regulatory compliance and strategic thinking. Her personal experience with the benefits of massage therapy, combined with her dedication to public service and belief in diverse perspectives, make her a strong candidate for the appointment.

VI. IMPACT ON EXISTING LAW

PR25-229 does not amend existing law.

VII. FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

There are no expenditures in conjunction with this legislation.

VIII. SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

Section 1 contains the long and short titles of the legislation.

Section 2 confirms the appointment of Maisha Goss-Johns as a consumer member of the Board of Massage Therapy.

Section 3 provides, upon resolution adoption, for transmittal to the nominee and the Office of the Mayor.

Section 4 provides that the resolution shall take effect immediately.

IX. COMMITTEE ACTION

On May 31, 2023, the Committee on Health convened a mark-up at 1:54pm on PR25-229, the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023.” Pursuant

to Council Period 25 Council Rule 430(b), four Members of the Committee on Health agreed to a shorter notice to markup the measure in the Committee. The measure was circulated with Committee staff at 11:53am on May 31, 2023 and requested to be added to the agenda of the additional Committee meeting at 1:00pm, and be considered at approximately 1:45pm, on May 31, 2023. This enabled the Committee to agendaize this measure for the June 6, 2023 Legislative Meeting, thus ensuring the Council had the opportunity to consider it before the passive approval date of June 17, 2023.

Present and voting were Chairperson Christina Henderson and Councilmembers Charles Allen and Brianne K. Nadeau. Chairperson Henderson gave a description of PR25-229 before opening the floor for comments from the members. Hearing no discussion, Chairperson Henderson then moved for block approval of the Committee Print and the Committee Report of PR25-229. The Committee voted 3-0 to approve the Committee Print and the Committee Report with the members voting as follows:

YES: Henderson, Allen, Nadeau

NO: 0

The meeting was adjourned.

X. ATTACHMENTS

- A. PR 25-229 as introduced, with Mayor's Transmittal Letter, Nominee's Resume, and Referral Memo
- B. Pre-hearing Written Questionnaire and Written Statement submitted by the nominee
- C. Legal sufficiency determination
- D. Written Consent Memo for Shortened Notice for Markup
- E. Committee Print of PR25-229

ATTACHMENT
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MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

April 27, 2023

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 215 of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 14, 1995 (D.C. Law 10-205; D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.15), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

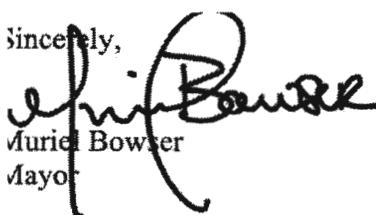
Ms. Maisha Goss-Johns
31st Place, NW
Washington, DC 20015
(Ward 4)

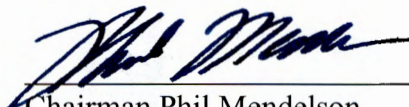
for appointment as a consumer member of the Board of Massage Therapy, replacing Tiffany Ferriss, for a term to end October 29, 2025.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser
Mayor


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To confirm the appointment of Ms. Maisha Goss-Johns to the Board of Massage Therapy.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Ms. Maisha Goss-Johns
31st Place, NW
Washington, DC 20015
(Ward 4)

as a consumer member of the Board of Massage Therapy, pursuant to section 215 of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 14, 1995 (D.C. Law 10-205; D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.15), replacing Tiffany Ferriss, for a term to end October 29, 2025.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

MAISHA GOSS-JOHNS

SUMMARY

Experienced regulatory expert, attorney, and executive strategist for governments, private sector, and international organizations. Twenty years of visionary experience in banking, public policy, the supervision and regulation of financial service providers and international financial safety-net participants. Persuasive speaker with proven ability to communicate effectively across international and organizational lines to develop and deliver targeted, impactful advisory services and technical assistance. People-focused leader and team member, able to succeed in continuously changing environments.

Key competencies include:

FinTech Adoption Regulatory Reviews Technical Assistance Economic
Inclusion & Innovation Advisory Services International Outreach

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Advisor, - Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Division of Depositor and Consumer Protection Branch Washington, DC. 2020 – Present

Resolute economic inclusion advocate, with a focus on regulation, access to capital, and financial innovation. Provide policy expertise across a broad range of economic issues. Develop national strategies and research to advance the availability of appropriate financial technology and products to serve low-and moderate-income individuals. Agency lead, responsible for the increasing the scope and impact of financial health and well-being initiatives.

Build and manage a portfolio of research, contracts, and stakeholders to other interventions to identifying critical gaps in low- and moderate-income consumer access to financial products and services. Lead the identification and evaluation of partners to fill gaps and assure alignment on a shared set of outcomes. Work with partners to co-design compelling proposals, strategies and milestones to advance desired outcomes. Provide insightful written analyses and recommendations for funding, including project proposal summaries, progress reports and recommended course corrections.

Senior International Advisor, Acting Chief- Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, International Affairs Branch Washington, DC. 2012 – 2020

Specialized in financial regulation, innovation, and economic inclusion strategy. Provided consultation to international entities to achieve increases in country-level financial stability, and domestic organizations to expand the scope and impact of economic inclusion activities. Participated regularly on expert teams to assess jurisdictional compliance against international regulatory best practices throughout Europe, Asia, Africa, the Americas, and the Caribbean.

Advised LMIC financial regulators on the design and effectiveness of their financial systems. Worked over a multi-year period in partnership with the Bank of International Settlements, International Association of Deposit Insurers (IADI) and Association of Supervisors of Banks of the Americas (ASBA)

leadership and member countries to assess compliance with the Core Principles for Effective Deposit Insurance Systems, Basel Committee on Banking Supervision's Core Principles for Banking Supervision and Financial Stability Board resolution guidance.

Appointed Chair of the Bank of International Settlements IADI Committee for Financial Inclusion and Innovation. Researched, developed, and refined, regulatory approaches to catalyze digital financial inclusion of unbanked and under-banked customers. Provided support to LMIC regulators seeking to develop inclusive financial regulations. Supported the global standard setting body to develop standards and guidance that advanced financial inclusion, protected consumers, and preserved the safety, soundness, and integrity of financial systems.

Built effective working relationships with IADI Secretariat and representatives of other international institutions such as the IMF, World Bank and CGAP through participation on working groups, reviewing proposed financial regulations, serving on drafting teams for global standard setters, appointment to country mission teams, and presenting at international conferences. Worked directly with the Financial Stability Institute (FSI) to develop conferences and online tutorials on deposit insurance and bank resolution issues to promote the Core Principles.

Participated substantially in the planning and delivery of ongoing training, regulatory compliance and technical assistance programs address gaps country compliance with the Core Principles including: formal Core Principles Instruction and Assessments in Trinidad (2013); Turkey (2013); and Kosovo (2014); SATAP Mission Team participation in Korea (2015); Brazil (2017) and Vietnam (2018); Regional Technical Assistance Workshops for Africa and the Middle East - Morocco (2016); Latin America and the Caribbean - Brazil (2017); and the Asia-Pacific Region- Yogyakarta, Indonesia (2017); and provided bi-lateral technical assistance, reviews of draft legislation and advisory services to foreign jurisdictions and standard setters world-wide.

Economic Foreign Service Officer - U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC. 2005 – 2006

Acquired expert knowledge of foreign affairs policy and regulations to facilitate international business. Utilized sensitive, classified, and complex data and systems to perform a full range of diplomatic and management modules to increase international imports and improve international relations.

Executive Director, Interactive Marketing Strategy; Director, Strategy – AOL Time Warner, Inc., Sterling, VA. 2000-2004.

Corporate liaison to the AOL Time Warner Foundation. Oversaw research, data analysis and communication of findings to expose barriers to entry in banking sector economic development programs. Led three cross-divisional teams of forty-five employees to develop strategic plans, training, operational needs, timetables, and measures of program success for proposed strategies to encourage adoption of banking services and products.

Served as Headquarters' representative on cross-divisional project teams. Managed \$100MM P&L. Responsible for the development and implementation of mission-critical corporate objectives and training across the Division, on time and within budget. Generated significant corporate savings by structuring and negotiating partnership deals. Improved efficiencies in executive communication, monitored individual performance of staff and promoted analytical development of direct reports.

Corporate Attorney - Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, New York, NY. 1997-2000.

Counseled clients in financial transactions, resulting in the development of successful public-private partnerships and transactions worth over \$400MM. Determined compliance of financial institutions in relation to Federal laws as part of multiple due diligence examinations.

Demonstrated knowledge, skills, and ability to perform reviews, recognize legal issues, weigh, and evaluate complex information, and utilize fact and law to develop legal arguments with emphasis on the skills required to serve and financial services clients, including Goldman Sachs, JPMorgan, Bank of America, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, and others.

Consultant - International Chamber of Commerce, Paris, France. 1996.

Tracked developments and the international activities of the franchise institutions including their regional economies, geopolitical relationships, and partnership activities. Analyzed and addressed issues related to strategic and operational cross- border activities for multi-national corporations.

RESEARCH & WRITING

International Economics: *Progressive Corporate Law, the Legitimacy of Multinational Corporations*, with Professor Eric W. Orts. Provided research and data analysis concerning the international activities of globally active complex financial institutions.

International Trade: *The International Environmental Management Standard, ISO 1400: A Non-Tariff Barrier of a Step to an Emerging Global Environmental Policy*, with Professor Paula C. Murray. Provided research and analysis of proposed legislation and the relationships among international supervisory and regulatory agencies.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Finance & Compliance: International Corporate Strategy; Advanced Legal Research; Fiduciary Responsibility; Corporate Compliance; Strategic Plan Development; Venture Capital Financing; Leadership Development; Project Financing; Executive Human Capital Management; and Bank Examination for Non-Examiners.

EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

Chair – IADI Financial Inclusion and Innovation Committee; Expert – IADI Training and Technical Assistance Roster, Member – IADI Training and Conference Committee; Interim Global Coordinator – Core Principles Handbook Working Group; Chair – FDIC Chairman's Diversity Advisory Council; Board of Directors -YWCA of the National Capital Area; Time Warner Global Marketing Council; Greater Washington Board Leadership Program; Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe – Hiring and Diversity Committees; Fulbright Senior Scholars Candidate, Strategy.

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Philadelphia, PA., USA

M.A.T., International Project Management, L'Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris (ESCP) Paris, France

B.A., Northwestern University, Evanston, IL., USA

ADMISSIONS & CLEARANCES

Low-Risk Clearance, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Present

Top-Secret Security Clearance, U.S. Department of State (2006)

New York State Bar Admission U.S.



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments
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Maisha Goss-Johns



Maisha Goss-Johns is a resolute advocate of economic equity with over twenty years of global experience across public, private, and non-profit organizations. She currently serves as Senior Advisor to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) providing strategic leadership to advance economic inclusion in underserved populations. In addition to leveraging the Corporation's research capabilities to increase the scope of sector products and programs, she also serves as the national subject matter expert for financial health and well-being.

Ms. Johns previously served as a Senior International Advisor for the FDIC Office of International Affairs. In this capacity, she strengthened the FDIC's facilitation of robust worldwide banking systems, and support of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank Financial Sector Assessment Programs (FSAPs) as a subject matter expert and trainer for financial stability throughout Europe, North America, South America and Asia. She is a Member of the International Association of Deposit Insurers, Financial Inclusion and Innovation Committee and formerly served as its Chairperson.

Prior to joining the FDIC, Ms. Johns held various finance, legal and strategy positions in the private sector. She worked as a corporate finance attorney at Orrick (New York), consulted for the International Chamber of Commerce (Paris) and was Executive Director of Strategy and Personal Finance for AOL Time Warner. Ms. Johns is also a former member of the Diplomatic Corps, having served as an Economic Foreign Service Officer for the U.S. Department of State.

A Ward 4 resident, Ms. Johns received a Bachelor's degree from Northwestern University; completed studies towards a Master's degree in International Business at the École Supérieure de Commerce de Paris; holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania School of Law; and is a member of the New York State Bar.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Tommy Wells, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: March 31, 2023
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Cary Bland, Johanna Brooks, Maisha Goss-Johns, and Regina McLinden as members of the Board of Massage Therapy

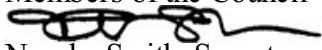
This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Vanessa Careiro, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Elizabeth A. (Betsy) Cavendish

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20004

Memorandum

To : Members of the Council

From : Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council
Date : Monday, May 1, 2023
Subject : Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Office of the Secretary on Thursday, April 27, 2023. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023", PR25-0229

INTRODUCED BY: Chairman Mendelson, at the request of Mayor

The Chairman is referring this legislation to the Committee on Health. This resolution will be deemed approved on Saturday, June 17, 2023 without Council action.

Attachment
cc: General Counsel
Budget Director
Legislative Services

**ATTACHMENT
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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

Christina Henderson

Councilmember, At-Large
Chairperson, Committee on Health

Committee Member

Hospital and Health Equity
Judiciary and Public Safety
Transportation and the Environment

INFORMATION REQUESTED OF NOMINEES

PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Name:
 - i. **Maisha Goss-Johns**

2. Position to which nominated:
 - i. **Board of Massage Therapy, Consumer Member**

3. Date of nomination:
 - i. **April 27th, 2023**

4. Address (list all residences in the last 10 years):
 - i. **6332 31st Place NW Washington, DC 20015**

5. Date and place of birth:
 - i. **August 3, 1971 Chicago, IL**

6. Marital status:
 - i. **Married**

 - b. If applicable, please include full name of spouse or domestic partner.
 - i. **Micardo Johns**

 - c. If your spouse or domestic partner is employed, please list the spouse's or domestic partner's employer, including the address and nature of the business.
 - i. **N/A**

EXPERIENCE

7. Education: List secondary and higher education institutions, major, dates attended, degree received, and date degree granted.
 - i. **Northwestern University 1989-1993 B.A. Sociology, 1993; L' École Supérieure de Commerce de Paris 1995-1996 Master's Program International Business (all but thesis, no culminating degree); University of Pennsylvania School of Law 1993-1995 and 1996- 1997 J.D. 1997.**

8. Employment record:
- a. Please list all jobs held since college, including the title or description of job, name of employer, city/state/country of work, and dates of employment. Please account for periods of unemployment.
 - i. **2012 – Present: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Senior International Advisor and Senior Advisor. Washington, DC**
2010 -2012: Raising Family
2008 – 2010: U.S. Census Bureau, Interviewer. Washington, DC (part time)
2006-2008: Raising Family
2005 – 2006: U.S. State Department, Economic Foreign Service Officer. Washington, DC
2000-2004: AOL Time Warner, Executive Director Strategy, Sterling, VA.
2000: Bodyflash. Online Jewelry. Vice President, Strategy. New York, New York.
1997 – 2000: Orrick, LLC. Corporate Law Associate New York, New York. Also, Summer 1995.
1994: Graydon, Head and Richie, Summer Law Associate. Cincinnati, OH.
 - b. Please list all current sources of non-investment income (including each entities' address and nature of business) for you and your spouse or domestic partner.
 - i. **Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation 1776 F Street NW Washington, DC 20015.**
9. Government experience: Please list any advisory, consultative, honorary, or other part-time services or positions with federal, state, or local governments, other than those listed above. Please also list military service, if any.
- i. N/A
10. Licenses: Please list any professional or occupational licenses that you hold.
- i. **New York State Bar Admission 1998.**
11. Memberships: Please list all memberships and offices currently or formerly held in professional, business, fraternal, scholarly, civic, public, charitable, and other organizations. Please include any relevant dates in your response.
- i. **YWCA of the National Capital Area Board of Directors 2002-2009;**
National Black MBA Association 2022-present.
12. Published writings: Please list the titles, publishers, and dates of books, articles, reports, or other public materials that you have written. Please provide copies or active hyperlinks to the Committee.
- i. N/A

13. What do you believe in your background or employment experience qualifies you for this particular appointment?
 - i. **My legal, regulatory and consumer protection experience qualify me for this appointment.**

POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

14. Please list all offices with a political party and positions you have held on any partisan or non-partisan campaign, or any public office for which you have been a candidate.
 - i. **N/A**
15. Please list any services rendered to any political parties, political party conventions or election committees (performed either for a fee or as a volunteer) in the past ten years.
 - i. **N/A**
16. Please itemize all political contributions to any individual, campaign organization, political party, political action committee, or similar entity of \$50 or more for the past ten years.
 - i. **N/A**
17. Please list all political fundraising functions or events you have either hosted or co-hosted in the last ten years, including the name of the candidate, the date of the event, and where the event was held.
 - i. **N/A**

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND LEGAL MATTERS

18. Business relationships:
 - a. Please list all positions currently or formerly held as an officer, director, trustee, partner, proprietor, agent, representative, or consultant of any corporation, company, firm, partnership, or other business enterprise, educational, or other institution.
 - i. **YWCA of the National Capital Area, Board of Directors.**
 - b. Are you or your immediate family an officer or director of any corporation, partnership, or other organization in the District of Columbia, either for profit or non-profit, that is doing business with the District government? If so, please list the name and address of the entity, your relationship to the organization, and the nature of the business relationship with the District. Please also indicate if the organization is registered with the District and in good standing to do business in the District.
 - i. **N/A**
 - c. Do you or any member of your immediate family hold an ownership interest in any firm that is now or has ever done business with the District of Columbia

government? If so, please list the name and address of the entity, your relationship to the organization, and the nature of the business relationship with the District. Please also indicate if the organization is registered with the District and in good standing to do business in the District.

i. N/A

d. Please provide the Committee the name of each business entity transacting any business with the District Government in which you or your immediate family have a beneficial interest valued in excess of \$1,000, including publicly traded stock.

i. N/A

e. Please provide the Committee the name of each business entity transacting any business (including consulting) with the District Government from which you or your immediate family have received (or are receiving) income for services rendered in excess of \$1,000 during the past three years.

i. N/A

f. Do you or any member of your immediate family have any interest, financial or otherwise, that may directly or indirectly pose a conflict of interest for you in performance of your duties for the position for which you have been nominated?

i. No

19. Liabilities: Please provide the name of any lender and the amount of liability for each outstanding liability held by you or any member of your immediate family in excess of \$2,000, with the exception of school, home, or automobile loans.

i. **Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Salary Overpayment \$8,675.**

20. Property: Please list the address of all real property located in the District of Columbia in which you have an interest with a fair market value in excess of \$5,000.

i. **6332 31st Place NW, Washington, DC 20015.**

21. Other appointments: Are you currently a member of any board or commission connected with the District of Columbia government? Please list all boards and commissions connected with the District Government of which you are or have been a member, including the term of service for each.

i. N/A

22. Gifts: Please list all gifts, donations, and meals, by source and amount, received or made to any District employee over the last ten years; and, if employed by the District now or in the past, list all gifts (including meals) received in your official capacity over the last ten years while employed by the District of Columbia. Please only include gifts, donations, or meals in excess of \$50.

i. N/A

23. Fundraising: If you are, or have been, employed by the District, please list all fundraising activities, including charitable, political, community and work-related, in

which you have been engaged while employed by the District. List activity, amount, source, and purpose.

i. N/A

24. Taxes: Do you have any outstanding liability for any taxes, fees, or other payments to the District, federal or other state or local governments, either contested or uncontested? If so, please describe the types and amounts of all taxes or fees in dispute and the dates the taxes or fees were originally due. Please also provide documentation of any attempts to pay the amount owed or to resolve the disputed claim.

i. N/A

25. Legal Matters:

- a. Have you ever been investigated, disciplined, or cited for a breach of ethics for unprofessional conduct by, or been the subject of a complaint to any court, administrative agency, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If so, please explain.

i. No

- b. To your knowledge, have you ever been investigated, arrested, charged, or convicted (including pleas of guilty or nolo contendere) by any federal, State, or other law enforcement authority for violation of any federal, State, county, or municipal law other than a minor traffic offense? If so, please explain.

i. No

- c. Have you or any business of which you are or were an officer, director, or owner, ever been involved as a party in interest in any administrative agency proceeding or civil litigation? If so, please explain.

i. **I was a Petitioner involved in pre-hearing activities before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). A settlement agreement was reached prior to adjudication of the claims.**

- d. Has any employee, subordinate, supervisor, client or other person of interest ever filed a written complaint against you for any reason? If so, please identify the situation, provide relevant facts, and state the disposition of the matter.

i. No

26. Lobbying: Have you registered in the past three years with any local, state, or federal government to lobby? If so, please list, the jurisdiction(s) in which you were or are registered, the date(s) of your registration, and the clients on whose behalf you have lobbied.

i. No

27. Please advise the Committee of any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, which you feel should be considered in connection with your nomination.

i. N/A

OATH

Please complete the following affirmation and include it with the answers and documentation you provide to the Committee in response to this questionnaire.

I, _____, attest and affirm under penalty of perjury that the answers and materials provided to the Committee in response to this questionnaire are, to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate, and complete. I understand that if I knowingly or willfully make any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation, such statement and/or representation could subject me to civil and/or criminal penalties.

SIGNATURE

DATE

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**



Public Roundtable on

**PR25-0229, the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns
Confirmation Resolution of 2023”**

Testimony of

Maisha Goss-Johns

Before the

Committee on Health

Council of the District of Columbia

The Honorable Christina Henderson, Chairperson

May 31, 2023

1:00 PM

Virtual Meeting Platform

The John A. Wilson Building

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20004

Good afternoon, Chairperson Henderson and members of the Committee. I am Maisha Goss-Johns, and it is my pleasure to receive your consideration for my nomination to serve on the Board of Massage Therapy. I am deeply grateful to Mayor Muriel E. Bowser for nominating me and honored to have this opportunity to serve the residents of our District.

I am a current resident of Ward 4, and I am proud to work alongside many other public servants throughout the District.

I have been a District resident for the past twenty years. My time in the District has been enormously fulfilling. Raising my children here has brought me tremendous joy. As a District resident, I care deeply about continuing to embed a legacy of health and well-being for all fellow residents and solidify the District's status as a world-class destination for all. My enthusiastic support of and engagement with the District's community commenced almost immediately upon arrival. I began service 19 years ago as a Board Member of the YWCA National Capital Area and subsequently volunteered at Lafayette public school in Ward 4. For the past decade, I have also been a Girl Scout volunteer for troops headquartered through People's Congregational Church in Ward 4. Most recently, Judge Beatty-Arthur swore me in as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for youth appointed by the Family Court of the Superior Court of the District.

Professionally, I began practicing law in 1998 and my career has led me through various roles in international and domestic roles in the diplomatic corps, private and public sectors. I currently work at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation headquarters in the District. I joined the Corporation in 2012 and spent much of my tenure as a Senior International Advisor. Today, I feel privileged to lead efforts to improve financial health for the low and moderate-income individuals - enabling their ability to fully meet ongoing financial obligations, feel secure in their financial future, and make choices that allow enjoyment of life.

My professional dedication to well-being extends to my personal life as well. Massage restored my mobility after illness. It is a central pillar of my self-care regiment and incorporated into my personal and professional travel experiences. As a consumer, I understand the significant trust placed in the hands of one's chosen massage therapist. I also know, as a regular professional and personal host of visitors to the District, that a restorative massage experience in the hands of a licensed professional can greatly increase one's positive association with the District, encourage repeat visits, and ultimately contribute the District's economy.

As the resident population grows and travel to the District increases, the need to assure proper licensure and adjudication of complaints will increase. As a trained attorney, regulatory professional and compliance

strategist, I believe I can play an essential role in safeguarding the practice of massage therapy in the District.

I believe that my professional expertise, education, and life experiences are a perfect blend of skills for this Board. I am not afraid to voice my opinions, and I believe robust debates among skilled and diverse individuals enable comprehensive problem solving and stronger outcomes. I also strongly believe in public service, protecting the well-being of all District residents and visitors, and professional excellence. For these reasons, it is my strong desire to serve as a consumer member on the Board of Massage Therapy.

Thank you, Madame Chairperson, for the opportunity to testify before this committee. I would be happy to respond to questions from you and the members of the committee.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Councilmember Christina Henderson

FROM: Nicole L. Streeter, General Counsel *NLS*

DATE: May 31, 2023

**RE: Legal Sufficiency Determination for Proposed
Resolution 25-229, the Board of Massage Therapy
Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of
2023**

The measure is legally and technically sufficient for Council consideration.

This proposed resolution would confirm the appointment of Ms. Maisha Goss-Johns as a consumer member of the Board of Massage Therapy, pursuant to section 215 of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 14, 1995 (D.C. Law 10-205; D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.15).

I am available if you have any questions.

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**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
COMMITTEE REPORT**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

TO: Members of the Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Committee on Health

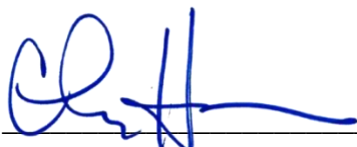
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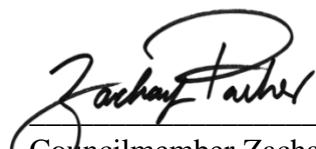
SUBJECT: Shorter Notice for Markup for PR25-228 - Board of Massage Therapy Johanna Brooks Confirmation Resolution of 2023 and PR 25-229 - Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023

Pursuant to Council Period 25 Council Rule 430(b), the four undersigned Members of the Committee on Health agree to a shorter notice to markup the following confirmation resolutions in the Committee. The measures were circulated with Committee staff at 11:53am on May 31, 2023 and requested to be added to the agenda of the additional Committee meeting at 1:00pm, and be considered at approximately 1:45pm, on May 31, 2023.

This enables the Committee to agendize these measures for the June 6, 2023 Legislative Meeting. This will ensure the Council has the opportunity to consider them before the passive approval date of June 17, 2023.

- PR25-228 - Board of Massage Therapy Johanna Brooks Confirmation Resolution of 2023
- PR 25-229 - Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation Resolution of 2023


Christina Henderson, Chairperson


Councilmember Zachary Parker


Councilmember Charles Allen


Councilmember Vincent C. Gray

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1 **Committee Print**
2 **Committee on Health**
3 **PR25-0229**
4 **May 31, 2023**
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8 **A PROPOSED RESOLUTION**
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11 **IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**
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15 To confirm the appointment of Maisha Goss-Johns to the Board of Massage Therapy.
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17 **RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this**
18 **resolution may be cited as the “Board of Massage Therapy Maisha Goss-Johns Confirmation**
19 **Resolution of 2023”.**

20 **Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:**
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22 **Ms. Maisha Goss-Johns**
23 **31st Place, NW**
24 **Washington, DC 20015**
25 **(Ward 4)**
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27 **as a consumer member of the Board of Massage Therapy, pursuant to section 215 of the District**
28 **of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 14, 1995 (D.C. Law 10-**
29 **205; D.C. Official Code 3-1202.15), for a term to end October 29, 2025.**

30 **Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,**
31 **upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.**

32 **Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.**