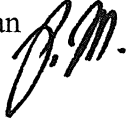


COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20004

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

FROM: Phil Mendelson, Chairman 

DATE: July 6, 2023

RE: **Request to Agendize for the July 11, 2023 Legislative Meeting**

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I write to request that the following measures be placed on the July 11, 2023 legislative meeting, at the request of the Mayor:

- **PR 25-118, Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023**
- **Bill 25-143, Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Emergency Act of 2023**

These emergency measures would order the formal opening of streets in Square S-5868 in Ward 8, and designate the opened streets as Cyprus Street, S.E., Poplar Street, S.E., Sycamore Drive, S.E., and Oak Drive, S.E. The streets were constructed for Phase 1 of the redevelopment of the St. Elizabeths East campus. A permanent version of these emergency measures, Bill 25-145, is on the agenda for markup at the July 11<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole meeting.

It is desirable that these streets be officially designated as soon as possible; they already exist. DMPED has sat on this legislation for over a year while residents and businesses have moved into the developments constructed for Phase 1. Their access to city services—especially emergency response—is hampered because the streets are not official and therefore do not exist in official databases. DMPED's slothfulness is inexcusable.

Copies of the measures are attached. Please call me or Blaine Stum if you have any questions at (202) 724-8092.

cc: All Councilmembers  
Council Officers