COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION AND LABOR MEMORANDUM

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson

FROM: Councilmember Anita Bonds

RE: Request to Agendize Measures for the September 19th, 2023 Legislative Meeting

Atm

DATE: September 14, 2023

This memorandum serves as my request to agendize the following ceremonial resolution for the September 19, 2023 Legislative Meeting:

• March on Washington 60th Anniversary Recognition Resolution of 2023

The purpose of this ceremonial resolution is to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington. The 1963 march, which attracted more than 200,000 people and featured Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legendary "I Have a Dream" speech. The event followed several years of nonviolent, grassroots demonstrations for civil rights and served as the impetus for the passage of momentous federal legislation such as the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. On August 26, 2023, the King family and the National Action Network held a 50th anniversary rally at which more than 100,000 people attended.

The draft ceremonial resolution is attached. If you have any questions about this legislation, please contact Kevin B. Chavous, Committee Director, at kchavous@dccouncil.gov or 202-724-8064.