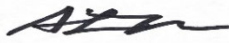


**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION AND LABOR
MEMORANDUM**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson
FROM: Councilmember Anita Bonds 
RE: Request to Agendize Measures for the December 5, 2023 Additional Legislative Meeting
DATE: November 30, 2023

This memorandum serves as my request to agendize the following measures for the December 5, 2023 Additional Legislative Meeting:

Ceremonial Resolutions

- **Maudine Cooper Memorial Recognition Resolution of 2023**

The purpose of this ceremonial resolution is to commemorate Ms. Maudine Cooper on the occasion of her recent passing. Ms. Cooper was a longtime community servant and advocate who held various roles in the public and nonprofit sector during her career. She served as Director of the Office of Human Rights under Mayor Marion Barry, Jr. from 1983-1987 and later served as his Chief of Staff during part of his third term in office.

From 1990 to 2013, Ms. Cooper served as President and CEO of the Greater Washington Urban League. Ms. Cooper was also a member of numerous organizations and boards, such as the District of Columbia Bar Association, the NAACP, the D.C. Agenda Project, and Leadership Washington.

- **William T. Fauntroy, Jr. Memorial Recognition Resolution of 2023**

The purpose of this ceremonial resolution is to commemorate Mr. William T. Fauntroy, Jr. on the occasion of his recent passing. A native Washingtonian, Mr. Fauntroy was a member of the famed Tuskegee Airmen before becoming the first Black civil engineer hired by what is now known as the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority. In this role, he was the urban planner for a large portion of the subway system built in the District. Mr. Fauntroy was the older brother of Rev. Walter Fauntroy, who in 1971 became the District's first elected delegate to Congress in over 100 years.

- **Thurst Lounge Recognition Resolution of 2023**

This resolution commemorates, recognizes, and supports Brandon Burke and Shaun Mykals, co-owners of Thurst Lounge. Thurst Lounge is a new entertainment establishment that aims to uplift LGBTQ+ culture for the District's Black queer community by acknowledging the increased need

for Black and Brown people of the District’s queer community to have spaces that center and recognize their unique experiences. Thurst aims to fill the void created by the sale in 2006 of The Bachelor’s Mill, a gay bar on Capitol Hill that served as a hub where all LGBTQ + people felt welcome.

Emergency and Temporary Legislation

- **Transparent Government Communications Temporary Amendment Act of 2023**
- **Transparent Government Communications Emergency Amendment Act of 2023**
- **Transparent Government Communications Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023**

On March 7, 2023, the Council unanimously voted to approve the Fidelity in Access to Government Communications Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2023, effective May 25, 2023, which amended the District of Columbia Public Records Management Act of 1985 to clarify that all communications created or received electronically in the course of official business are subject to existing record-retention obligations. This temporary act will expire on January 5, 2023. Emergency legislation is therefore necessary to ensure that existing record retention guidelines continue to apply to a wide variety of electronic communications and to ensure that public access to information is not diminished or compromised.

- **Hotel Cleaning and Notice of Service Interruption Emergency Amendment Act of 2023**
- **Hotel Cleaning and Notice of Service Interruption Emergency Amendment Act of 2023**
- **Hotel Cleaning and Notice of Service Interruption Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023**

On March 7, 2023, the Council approved the Hotel Enhanced Cleaning and Notice of Service Disruption Temporary Amendment Act of 2023, effective May 25, 2023, to clarify that the Mayor may issue rules to establish requirements for the cleaning and maintenance of hotels, motels, and other lodging establishments (collectively “lodging establishments”) and to establish standards for public notice of actual or potential disruptions to service at, or use or enjoyment of, lodging establishments. In order to mitigate the potential of a gap in the law, which could compromise compliance with the cleaning requirements, it is necessary to approve this round of emergency and temporary legislation.