ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

on

B25-0742, the "Youth Mentorship Through Community Engagement Act of 2024"

Thursday, October 3rd, 2024 12:00 PM

In the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Room 500 and virtual via Zoom

Those not participating may watch live online via: <u>https://dccouncil.gov/council-videos/</u> <u>www.entertainment.dc.gov/page/live-tv</u> <u>https://youtube.com/@committeeonhousingdc</u>

On Thursday, October 3rd, 2024, Councilmember Robert C. White Jr., Chair of the Committee on Housing, will hold a public hearing on B25-0742, the "Youth Mentorship Through Community Engagement Act of 2024".

The public hearing will take place in hybrid format in Room 500 of the John A. Wilson Building and via the Zoom web conferencing platform at 12:00 PM. Members of the public will be able to view the public hearing <u>https://dccouncil.gov/council-videos/</u>, <u>www.entertainment.dc.gov/page/live-tv</u>, and <u>https://youtube.com/@committeeonhousingdc</u>.

The stated purpose of B25-0742, the "Youth Mentorship Through Community Engagement Act of 2024" is to establish a professional youth mentorship and family engagement program to enhance well-being and teach essential life skills; and to create a community service leave for eligible District government employees to volunteer as a tutor or mentor to a student.

The Committee invites the public to testify remotely or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify must sign up at <u>lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings/</u>or by phone at (202) 727-8270 by <u>the close of business on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024</u>. Witnesses are encouraged, but not required, to submit their testimony in writing electronically in advance at <u>lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings/</u>. Witnesses may choose to participate in person or remotely via Zoom. The Committee will follow-up with witnesses with additional instructions on how to provide testimony in advance of the proceeding.

All public witnesses will be allowed a maximum of four minutes to testify, while Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners will be permitted five minutes to testify. At the discretion of the Chair, the length of time provided for oral testimony may be reduced.

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible but no later than five (5) business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, however requests received in less than five (5) business days may not be fulfilled and alternatives may be offered.

The Committee also encourages the public to submit written testimony to be included for the public record. Copies of written testimony should be submitted at <u>lims.dccouncil.gov/hearings/</u>. <u>The record for this public hearing will close at the close of business on Tuesday, October</u> <u>10th, 2024.</u>