



Councilmember Charles Allen

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend section 47-362 of the District of Columbia Official Code to require that the Mayor submit all reprogramming requests related to the DC Circulator to the Council for prior approval; and to amend the Department of Transportation Establishment Act of 2002 to require that money from the sale, lease, or transfer of DC Circulator assets be deposited in the DC Circulator Fund and expended to support DC Circulator workers, and to require that the District Department of Transportation coordinate with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority to determine the feasibility of assuming control of the DC Circulator, providing alternative or additional bus service, or hiring former DC Circulator workers at their current pay and seniority status.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “DC Circulator Transition Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024”.

Sec. 2. (a) The Mayor’s FY25 Proposed Budget included a proposal to completely wind-down the DC Circulator over the fiscal year, and service cuts began on October 1, 2024.

(b) To support former Circulator workers who relied on the service for their livelihoods, the Council passed the DC Circulator Transition Emergency Amendment Act of 2024, effective October 29, 2024 (D.C. Act 25-0621; 71 DCR 13555) (“emergency act”), and the DC Circulator Transition Temporary Amendment Act of 2024, enacted November 14, 2024 (D.C. Act 25-0626; 71 DCR 14126) (“temporary act”). Both the emergency and temporary acts set aside money derived from the disposition of the DC Circulator’s assets so that it can be used to support DC

36 Circulator workers—many of whom have several years of service to the District—while they seek
37 employment. The temporary act is now pending congressional transmittal.

38 (c) This congressional review emergency legislation is therefore necessary to prevent a gap
39 in the law between the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act.

40 Sec. 3. The Council determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute
41 emergency circumstances making it necessary that the DC Circulator Transition Congressional
42 Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2024 be adopted after a single reading.

43 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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