# Council of the District of Columbia COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEMORANDUM

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20004

**TO:** Chairperson Phil Mendelson

FROM: Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie

**RE:** Request to Agendize Measures for the February 4, 2025, Legislative Meeting

**DATE:** January 30, 2025

I write to request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the February 4, 2025, Legislative Meeting:

## Congressional Review Legislation

- Great Streets Program Expansion Neighborhood Retail Priority Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2025
- Great Streets Program Expansion Neighborhood Retail Priority Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2025

The Committee on Business and Economic Development approved the Great Streets Program Expansion Neighborhood Retail Priority Amendment Act of 2024 on October 23, 2024 ("permanent legislation") to address gaps in the Great Streets program in various parts of the District of Columbia. To ensure that these new eligible participants can apply for the Great Streets grants in Fiscal Year 2025 without delay when the Great Streets program opens to take applications in January 2025, the Council passed an emergency version of this legislation on October 29, 2024. Due to the Congressional review process, there will be a gap between the emergency's expiration and the projected law date of the permanent.

# Emergency Legislation at the Request of the Mayor

- Certified Business Enterprise Program Compliance and Enforcement Support Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2025
- Certified Business Enterprise Program Compliance and Enforcement Support Emergency Amendment Act of 2025
- Certified Business Enterprise Program Compliance and Enforcement Support Temporary Amendment Act of 2025

Following a previous revocation hearing before the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH), DSLBD determined that uniform hearing procedures for complaints needed to be established expeditiously to ensure procedural consistency and fairness for businesses, as well as increased effectiveness and efficiency in departmental compliance and enforcement procedures. Accordingly, emergency legislation is needed to clarify and update procedures under section 2363 of the Act. Failure to move these amendments will have an adverse effect on agency operations as well as agency compliance and enforcement mechanisms. The Council passed the initial round of this emergency at the April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Legislative Meeting in Council Period 25.

#### **Ceremonial Resolutions**

• Coach David "Tee" Johnson Recognition Resolution of 2025

To honor and recognize Coach David "Tee" Johnson for achieving his 100th win as head coach of Jackson-Reed High School's boys' varsity basketball team—a milestone reached faster than any coach in the school's history— and celebrate his exceptional leadership and unwavering commitment to excellence.

# • Derrick Ward Posthumous Recognition Resolution of 2025

To honor and recognize the life of Derrick Ward and celebrate his profound contributions to journalism, his unwavering dedication to the Washington, D.C., community, and his enduring legacy as a loving father and inspiring role model.

## • Washington Commanders Recognition Resolution of 2025

To honor and recognize the Washington Commanders on their remarkable 2024-2025 season in the National Football League.

The draft measures are attached. Feel free to contact Daniel Sagrera, Policy Advisor, dsagrera@dccouncil.gov with any questions.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

cc: Members, Council of the District of Columbia
Office of the Secretary
Office of the General Counsel
Office of the Budget Director