COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

FROM:

Phil Mendelson, Chairman

DATE:

January 30, 2025

RE:

Emergency Measure for the February 4, 2025 Regular Legislative Meeting

Please place the following measures on the agenda for the February 4, 2025 Regular Legislative Meeting:

- Virtual Open Meetings Authority Extension Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2025
- Virtual Open Meetings Authority Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2025
- Virtual Open Meetings Authority Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2025

D.C. Law 25-194, the Virtual Open Meetings Authority Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2024, expires on March 1, 2025. This new round of emergency and temporary legislation is necessary to prevent a gap in the law between the imminent expiration of the temporary measure and Council consideration of permanent legislation. The provisions of the Virtual Open Meetings Authority Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2025 and Virtual Open Meetings Authority Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2025 are substantively identical to the provisions in the earlier emergency and temporary acts passed by the Council in 2023 and 2024.

Draft copies of the proposed measures are attached. Please contact me or Christian A. Washington, Special Counsel at (202) 724-8083 if you have any questions.

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All Councilmembers Council Officers