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ANC 3C Resolution No. 2015-017

Regarding Mayor’s Changes in Phase-In Options for Feeder Schools

WHEREAS, the DCPS Student Assignment Policy includes transition plans or "phase-ins" where new feeder arrangements are to be implemented; and

WHEREAS, DCPS repeatedly told Oyster-Adams parents that the new policy would include such a phase-in beginning in 2015-2016 for their families, in particular that pupils now in grades 3 through 5 would have the option to choose to attend Deal Middle School; and

WHEREAS, such a three-year transition would be the same as the phase-in adopted for other schools, including neighboring Eaton Elementary School whose families continue to have the option to choose Deal or Hardy Middle Schools for three years; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Post wrote about Mayor Bowser’s announced “tweaks” on February 27th, including a major “tweak” to allow “grandfathering”, for the next seven years, for students in pockets of Ward 4 to retain the option to choose Deal Middle School and Wilson High School instead of their assigned schools; and

WHEREAS, a small minority of families at Oyster Elementary School have chosen Deal instead of Adams in recent years and it is unlikely that this would change and, therefore, the promised “grandfathering” would not make a significant difference in the Deal enrollment; and

WHEREAS, despite promises, attempts by some families of Oyster Elementary School current 5th grade children to register for Deal have been denied; and

WHEREAS, the withdrawal of options for Oyster students was done arbitrarily and without proper notice and made without any consultation with stakeholders and is the only decision made by the Mayor’s office which eliminates promised options for students;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the “grandfather” phase-in for Oyster Elementary School for three years be reinstated and honored as was promised almost a year ago and parents be allowed to register their children for Deal Middle School if they choose; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3C urges that the Mayor or DCPS not make decisions about feeder patterns without a full review of all issues and factors with inclusion of all stakeholders in the process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC3C urges that every effort be made to bring all lower-achieving DCPS schools up to a level of excellence expected by the community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair, the Commissioners for ANC3C01 and ANC3C02 and ANC3C03 and their designee are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

Attested by



Carl Roller

Chair, on April 20, 2015

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on April 20, 2015 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.