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ANC3C Resolution 2023-CONSENT Resolution Opposing Proposed Elimination of Woodley Park-Adams Morgan to McPherson Square Metro DC Circulator Service

WHEREAS Mayor Bowser's FY 2024 Fair Shot Budget includes the removal of DC Circulator bus service from Woodley Park-Adams Morgan to McPherson Square Metro (WP-AM);

WHEREAS The WP-AM bus line provides two-way bus service that begins at the McPherson Square Metro station, turns onto 14th Street NW, crosses Thomas Circle NW to remain on 14th St NW, turns left onto Columbia Road NW, turns right onto Calvert Street NW, and turns around at the Woodley Park Metro station to return in the opposite direction;

WHEREAS DC Circulator service provides critical transit service between Wards 1, 2, and 3, connecting the neighborhoods of Woodley Park, Adams Morgan, Mount Pleasant, Columbia Heights, Cardozo, Logan Circle, and Downtown;

WHEREAS According to the 2021 DC Circulator Customer Satisfaction Survey, the WP-AM bus line reported the second highest rates of ridership across the entirety of the DC Circulator system, retaining 20% of system ridership through the COVID-19 pandemic. The WP-AM line also reported an average customer satisfaction of 8.4 out of 10;

WHEREAS The elimination of the WP-AM line would disproportionately impact low-income residents, seniors, and people with disabilities who rely on the affordable and accessible service provided by the DC Circulator;

WHEREAS The WP-AM line contributes to the reduction of traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions by providing an efficient public transportation option for thousands of residents and visitors;

WHEREAS The availability of affordable and efficient public transportation is a fundamental right of all residents, including working-class communities, and should be prioritized over profit-driven motives or budgetary considerations that disproportionately burden those with the least resources;

WHEREAS The WP-AM bus line supports local businesses and fosters economic growth by connecting residents to commercial corridors and cultural attractions in the various neighborhoods it serves;

WHEREAS Upon receipt of the Mayor's budget, DC Council Committee on Transportation and the Environment will now conduct budget hearings and prepare a committee report that will include final recommendations for funding of DC Circulator lines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 3C requests that the DC Council Committee on Transportation and the Environment include full funding for DC Circulator bus service from Woodley Park-Adams Morgan to McPherson Square Metro (WP-AM) in their budget report;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 3C urges the Mayor to consider the importance of the WP-AM line to the overall transportation network and the economic, social, and environmental wellbeing of the neighborhoods it serves and to prioritize the preservation of this vital transit service in future budget proposals;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 3C will work collaboratively with community members, neighborhood organizations, and other Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to advocate for the continued operation of the WP-AM line and to ensure that the voices of those most affected by this decision are heard and considered in the decision-making process;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 3C emphasizes the necessity of providing equitable public transportation services as a fundamental human right, and a key component of a just, inclusive, and sustainable urban environment;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 3C advocates for fare-free access to all modes of public transportation, including the DC Circulator, recognizing that public transportation should be accessible to all, regardless of income, and that eliminating fares will reduce financial barriers and promote social equity;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chair, Commissioner for 3C01, and/or their designee(s) are authorized to represent ANC3C on this matter.

Attested by

Janell Pagats Chair, on April 19, 2023

This resolution was approved by voice vote on April 19, 2023, at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 8 commissioners) was present.