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By Electronic Mail

March 17, 2025

Sharon Kershbaum Director, District Department of Transportation 250 M Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

RE: Requesting DDOT Make Safety Improvements at the National Zoo Intersection (Crosswalk) of Connecticut Avenue, NW

Director Kershbaum,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on March 17, 2025 with a quorum present, a quorum being five commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3C (ANC 3C) voted 8-0-0 to submit this request that expanded safety measures at the National Zoo intersection of Connecticut Avenue, NW.

We are writing to advocate for enhanced safety measures at the pedestrian intersection of Connecticut Avenue near the National Zoo (3000 Block of Connecticut Avenue, NW). ANC3C asks the following:

- 1. Extension of the flexpost installation through the pedestrian intersection. This area experiences significant foot traffic, especially from families and visitors to the Zoo, and ensuring pedestrian safety is of utmost importance. The existing flexposts have contributed positively by enhancing visibility and creating a more defined pedestrian zone. However, continuing them through the intersection would further safeguard pedestrians by calming vehicle speeds and reducing conflicts between motorists and pedestrians.
- 2. Consideration of a red-light ticketing camera at the pedestrian intersection of Connecticut Avenue near the National Zoo. This intersection experiences high pedestrian traffic, including families and tourists, making safety a critical concern. A red-light camera would deter motorists from running red lights, significantly reducing the risk of collisions and enhancing pedestrian safety. Implementing this measure would support DDOT's Vision Zero initiative by promoting responsible driving behavior and ensuring a safer crossing environment for all users.

The Commission authorizes the Chair and/or their approved designee(s) to represent the Commission on this matter.

Sincerely,

Janell Pagats Chair, ANC3C

CC: The Honorable Matt Frumin, Ward 3 Member of the Council of the District of Columbia The Honorable Charles Allen, Ward 6 Member of the Council of the District of Columbia Chair, Committee on Transportation and the Environment