

## \*\*\* Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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Councilmember Robert White Chair, Committee on Government Operations and Facilities Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 107 Washington, DC 20004 rwhite@dccouncil.us

> **RE:** DC Council's Performance Oversight of the Office of Advisory **Neighborhood Commissions**

Dear Councilmember White,

At its regular meeting on January 19, 2022, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A ("ANC 2A" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With eight of eight commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (8-0-0), after a motion made by Commissioner Patel and seconded by Commissioner Epstein, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC) is a resource center that serves all of DC's 296 ANC Commissioners,

WHEREAS, ANC 2A believes that OANC should develop and implement ongoing educational campaigns to help the public, DC Government agencies, and the DC Council understand the functions of ANCs,

WHEREAS, ANC 2A believes that OANC should monitor whether DC Government agencies are meeting the requirements to offer training to their own managers and employees on the functions of ANCs, as well as how DC Government agencies are required to respond to ANCs, including providing notice to ANCs and giving "great weight" to certain ANC resolutions, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2A believes that OANC should offer solutions and share best practices to ANCs for attracting constituent attention and involvement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A urges the DC Council to accept the above recommendations for how OANC could better serve the residents of DC.

Commissioners Trupti Patel (2A03@anc.dc.gov) and Jeri Epstein (2A06@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

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Jeri Epstein Chairperson