## **Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A** "Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C."

March 17, 2023

Councilmember Kenyan McDuffie Chair, Committee on Business and Economic Development Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 506 Washington, DC 20004 <u>kmcduffie@dccouncil.gov</u>

## **RE: DC Council's Performance Oversight Hearing for the Office of Lottery and Gaming (OLG)**

Dear Councilmember McDuffie,

At its regular meeting on March 15, 2023, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A ("ANC 2A" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With seven of nine commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted (5-1-1), after a motion made by Commissioner Malec and seconded by Commissioner Patel, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, in December 2018 the DC Council legalized sports wagering,

WHEREAS, the Office of Lottery and Gaming (OLG) has provided little to no guidance to Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs) in the approval process,

WHEREAS, in 2022 ANC 2A was the first in the city to approve a combined liquor and sports wagering license,

WHEREAS, the approval process for ANC 2A felt rushed and pressured by constituents and the proprietor,

WHEREAS, in July 2022 ANC 2A submitted testimony flagging concerns around the approval process for the DC Council's sports wagering roundtable, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2A would like following recommendations that were made a year ago to be considered:

- Kiosks must have a beginning time and end time inside of establishments,
- Geofencing, if possible, should be mandatory around the establishments,
- Set limit on cash payouts,
- Have cash payouts done during daytime hours,
- Do not allow cages in residential areas,
- Require a 60 to 90 day review on all licenses issued to establishments,



- Require that safety and protocol guidelines be presented to the community, and
- The initial settlement agreement set in place is to remain in the case of a license transfer to a new establishment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A requests that the Office of Lottery and Gaming provides clarity and guidance to ANCs on the sports wagering process.

Commissioners Trupti Patel (<u>2A03@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Joel Causey (<u>2A06@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Joel Causey

Joel Causey Chairperson