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

February 23, 2023

Councilmember Charles Allen Chair, Committee on Transportation and the Environment Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 110 Washington, DC 20004 <u>callen@dccouncil.gov</u>

## **RE: DC Council's Performance Oversight Hearing for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)**

Dear Councilmember Allen,

At its regular meeting on February 15, 2023, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A ("ANC 2A" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With seven of eight commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted (5-2-0), after a motion made by Commissioner Patel and seconded by Commissioner Bandy, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, as Washington, DC reopens for tourism and hospitality, Metrorail service has not followed suit as it has operated in crisis mode for the last three years,

WHEREAS, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) has not pivoted to post-pandemic era demands,

WHEREAS, low wage shift workers that work in the hospitality industry are not having affordable and reliable transit options, and

WHEREAS, reduced ridership along with fare evasion prevents WMATA from operating with a full budget and running the network as designed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A encourages the DC Council's Committee on Transportation and the Environment to implement policies to promote safe, affordable, and reliable transit options for all riders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A encourages WMATA to adopt in full the recommendations outlined by the Washington Metrorail Safety Commission (WMSC) to ensure that commuters are riding in safe Metrorail cars.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A encourages WMATA to implement timed transfers between Metrobus routes 31, 32, 33, and 36 to ensure that cross-town commuters traveling through Foggy Bottom can have a seamless journey.



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