



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

June 25, 2025

TO: Anita Bonds, Councilmember at-large of the District of Columbia,
Chair of the Committee on Labor and Executive Administration
Suite 404
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington DC, 20004

RE: DC Board of Elections Oversight Resolution 2025

At its regular meeting on June 18, 2025, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With five commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission, after a motion made by Commissioner Patel and seconded by Commissioner DiCapo, adopted the following resolution by 5-0-0:

WHEREAS, District of Columbia residents are empowered to require changes to the District’s laws via the ballot initiative process¹;

WHEREAS, in November 2024, District residents approved proposed ballot Initiative 83, which authorized ranked choice voting in elections with three or more candidates and allow voters who are not affiliated with a party to vote in any party’s primary;²

WHEREAS, Initiative 83 as passed in November called for its implementation “beginning with the June 2026 primary election and for all subsequent elections thereafter³;

WHEREAS, in order to meet the June 2026 date, the Board of Elections needs funding to implement the changes at the start of Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025);

WHEREAS, Initiative 83 was approved by a supermajority of 72.89%, with supermajorities of voters in each of the eight Wards voting in favor, including 75.05% of Ward 2 voters, signaling strong demand for these election reforms from District residents;

¹ D.C. Code § 1-204.101

² https://electionresults.dcboe.org/election_results/2024-General-Election;https://dcboe.org/getmedia/c531ed1f-3a52-4288-8ff8-a3afd45ff14b/initiative-83_08232023.pdf

³ https://dcboe.org/getmedia/c531ed1f-3a52-4288-8ff8-a3afd45ff14b/initiative-83_08232023.pdf



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WHEREAS, Initiative 83 sought to make the District’s elected representatives more accountable and responsive to District residents⁴;

WHEREAS, implementing Initiative 83 will require a modest budgetary outlay, estimated at \$1.45 million over the next four years, primarily for outreach and education to the community about implementation of the Initiative⁵;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A Requests that the D.C. Council and Mayor respect the clear will of District voters and move to immediately provide for implementation of Initiative 83.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED The Commission advises the D.C. Council and Mayor to implement Initiative 83 without delay, so that the electoral reforms overwhelmingly supported by District residents are in place for the District’s next elections in 2026, as District voters supported;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That ANC 2A calls upon the D.C. Council and Mayor to ensure that Initiative 83 implementation is fully funded in the District’s upcoming FY 2026 budget;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED ANC 2A urges the District’s elected officials to place respect for the will of District voters over other political interests or self-interest and ensure that Initiative 83 is implemented as the law of the District.

Commissioner Trupti Patel (2A03@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission’s representatives in this matter

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

⁴ Lisa Rice, [Initiative 83 Will Let All Voters Be Heard in D.C. Elections](https://georgetown.com/articles/2024/10/28/opinion-initiative-83-will-let-all-voters-be-heard-in-d-c-elections/), *The Georgetown* (Oct. 28, 2024), <https://georgetown.com/articles/2024/10/28/opinion-initiative-83-will-let-all-voters-be-heard-in-d-c-elections/>

⁵ <https://dcboe.org/getmedia/fc7e461d-7702-42c7-a96b-e05b8116b680/FINAL-FIS-Ranked-Choice-Voting-and-Semi-Closed-Primaries-Act-of-2024-1.pdf> 27.



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Trupti Patel
Chairperson

CC:

Kevin Donahue, City Administrator, Washington DC

Jenny Reed, Director, Office of Budget and Performance Management

Jennifer Budoff, DC Council Budget Director

Phil Mendelson, Chairman DC Council

Christiana Henderson, At-Large Member DC Council

Robert White, At-Large Member DC Council

Kenyan McDuffie, At-Large Member DC Council

Brianne Nadeau, Ward 1 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Brooke Pinto, Ward 2 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Matthew Frumin, Ward 3 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Janese Lewis George, Ward 4 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Zachary Parker, Ward 5 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Wendell Felder, Ward 7 Councilmember of the District of Columbia

Tadai Abila, Ward 2 Liaison Mayor's Office Community Relations