



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

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

October 22, 2025

TO:

Muriel Bowser, Mayor, The District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC 20004

RE: Condemning MPD Cooperation with ICE

WHEREAS, WHEREAS, on September 17, 2025, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “the Commission”) passed a resolution titled *Condemning Extended Federal Law Enforcement Coordination*;

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2025, the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice responded to Chairperson Patel regarding that resolution via [email](#);

WHEREAS, immigration authorities have continued joint patrols and operations in the District of Columbia alongside the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) even after the expiration of President Donald Trump’s [order](#)¹ placing MPD under federal control, leaving residents alarmed and confused about MPD’s role in immigration enforcement; and

WHEREAS, numerous D.C. residents, advocacy organizations, and community leaders have condemned the continued federal presence as an overreach and a violation of the spirit of the [DC Home Rule Act](#)²; and

WHEREAS, reporting from [The Washington Post](#)² documents multiple incidents since September 10, 2025, showing MPD officers working alongside agents from Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), including shared patrols and co-located police cruisers; and

WHEREAS, court filings and internal accounts from law enforcement officials confirm that joint operations between MPD, HSI, and CBP have continued, including the participation of federal agents in MPD roll calls;

¹ [Declaring a Crime Emergency in the District of Columbia – The White House](#)

² [D.C. police are helping ICE after Trump’s crime emergency ended - The Washington Post](#)



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WHEREAS, Mayor Muriel Bowser recently [ordered](#)³⁴ indefinite coordination between MPD and federal law enforcement, a policy shift that has raised significant public concern;

WHEREAS, cooperation between local police and federal immigration authorities contradicts both the letter and spirit of the [Sanctuary Values Amendment Act](#)⁵, which explicitly prohibits MPD from assisting in civil immigration enforcement and seeks to protect immigrant communities from fear-based policing; and

WHEREAS, DC Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau (Ward 1), has warned that continued cooperation with immigration authorities undermines public trust, discourages the reporting of crime, and damages MPD’s relationship with immigrant communities;

WHEREAS, DC Councilmember Robert White Jr. (At-Large) sent [correspondence](#)⁶ to Mayor Muriel Bowser on October, 17, 2025 that was shared citywide with Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners (ANCs) requesting written on-the record answers to several incidents reported by residents along with concerns that have been addressed to his office;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A condemns any continued cooperation between the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), or U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A requests a clear public statement from the Mayor’s Office and MPD outlining MPD’s current role in immigration-related operations, including the policies governing arrests involving federal immigration enforcement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A requests MPD and the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice provide a detailed account of steps being taken to restore community trust and to ensure that local law enforcement serves the safety and rights of DC residents rather than acting as an extension of federal immigration enforcement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2A respectfully requests the administration provide written, on-the-record responses to the same five questions requested by DC Councilmember Robert White Jr. (listed below).

³ [2025-090_Creation_of_the_Safe_and_Beautiful_Emergency_Operations_Center.pdf](#)

⁴ [D.C. will allow federal law enforcement indefinitely, Mayor Muriel Bowser says - The Washington Post](#)

⁵ [D.C. Law 23-282. Sanctuary Values Amendment Act of 2020. | D.C. Law Library](#)

⁶ [RWHITE1017Letter.pdf](#)



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1. **Is MPD continuing to cooperate with ICE or participate in immigration-enforcement-related arrests?** Such actions appear to contradict your September 10 statement.
2. **What specific directives are currently in effect** governing MPD’s coordination with federal law-enforcement or immigration-enforcement agencies? When were they issued, and under whose authority?
3. **What guidance have MPD officers received regarding joint operations with federal agents near schools, playgrounds, or community spaces?** Are such operations consistent with existing MPD policy and training?
4. **What mechanisms exist for residents and schools to report incidents** in which MPD officers appear to act beyond the scope of these directives, and what accountability processes ensure that officers who fail to comply are reviewed and, where appropriate, disciplined?
5. **How can residents expect to receive follow-up communication** from MPD or your office after such incidents, to confirm that concerns are investigated and that corrective steps have been taken?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 2A urges the **D.C. Council Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety** to:

1. Hold a public oversight hearing on MPD policies and practices related to immigration enforcement;
2. Investigate potential conflicts between current MPD practices and the **Sanctuary Values Amendment Act**;
3. Commit to transparent policing practices that uphold civil rights, promote public accountability, and are responsive to community oversight.

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

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Trupti Patel
Chairperson

CC:

Muriel Bowser, Mayor, The District of Columbia



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Pamela Smith, Chief, Metropolitan Police Department, The District of Columbia
Lindsey Appiah, Deputy Mayor for Public Safety & Justice, The District of Columbia
Brian Schwalb, Attorney General, The District of Columbia
Phil Mendelson, Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia
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