

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to confirm, on an emergency basis, the reappointment of Mr. Charles J. Murphy and Ms. Ann Hoffman to the Public Employee Relations Board.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Public Employee Relations Board Confirmation Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2017”.

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to amend section 501(h) of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-139; D.C. Official Code § 1-605.01(h)) (“the Act”), to ensure that Mr. Charles J. Murphy and Ms. Ann Hoffman can be appointed to Public Employee Relations Board. Their appointments are necessary to the continued operations of the Board.

(b) The Mayor has nominated Mr. Charles J. Murphy and Ms. Ann Hoffman for reappointment to the Public Employee Relations Board as neutral public members.

(c) Mr. Murphy was most recently confirmed in February 2014 for a term lasting a little under two years. Prior to that, Mr. Murphy was confirmed in July 2011 for a term ending lasting two-and-a half years.

(d) Ms. Hoffman was most recently confirmed in December 2014 for a term lasting just over two years. Prior to that, Ms. Hoffman was confirmed in May 2012 to a term lasting a little more than a year-and-a-half.

30 (e) Section 501 of the the Act provides that a term of office for each member is 3 years,  
31 but stipulates that no person shall serve for more than 2 consecutive terms.

32 (f) If confirmed, Mr. Murphy and Ms. Hoffman would technically serve 3 consecutive  
33 terms on the Public Employee Relations Board, even though their prior terms only had partial  
34 service. Therefore in order for Mr. Murphy and Ms. Hoffman to continue the Board’s work, the  
35 law must be amended.

36 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances  
37 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the “Public  
38 Employee Relations Board Confirmation Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2017” be adopted  
39 after a single reading.

40 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.