

Chairman Mendelson
At the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following proposed resolution, which was referred to the Committee on _____.

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Homeless Shelter Replacement Act of 2016 to revise the location of the new Ward 1 temporary shelter site, add units to the shelter, and add housing for seniors.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Homeless Shelter Replacement Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2017.”

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to amend the Homeless Shelter Replacement Act of 2016, effective July 29, 2016 (D.C. Law 21-141; 63 DCR 11132) (“Act”) to revise the location of the new Ward 1 temporary shelter site, add units to the shelter, and add housing for seniors.

(b) Emergency action is necessary to promote the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of District residents who are experiencing homelessness, by authorizing the Department, with partners at the Department of General Services, to construct the replacement apartment-style shelter facility for 1433 and 1435 Spring Road, NW with funds designated through the Homeless Shelter Replacement Act of 2016. This legislation changes the Ward 1 site. The Program aligns with the Department’s work to ensure that the experience of

35 homelessness with the District is rare, brief, and non-recurring and helps the Department achieve
36 the required number of apartment-style shelter units as outlined in the Homeless Services
37 Reform Act.

38 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
39 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the
40 Homeless Shelter Replacement Emergency Amendment Act of 2017 be adopted after a single
41 reading.

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