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6 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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10 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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15 To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need
16 to amend the District of Columbia Public Space Rental Act to authorize the use of certain
17 public space by a legitimate theater as a sidewalk café; and to amend Chapter 3 of Title
18 24 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to allow a legitimate theater to
19 operate a sidewalk café and reconcile the general requirements for a sidewalk café permit
20 and the application procedures for a sidewalk café permit.
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22 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
23 resolution may be cited as the “Legitimate Theater Sidewalk Café Authorization Congressional
24 Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2019”.

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26 Sec. 2. (a) In May, the Council enacted the Legitimate Theater Sidewalk Café
27 Authorization Emergency Amendment Act of 2019, effective June 17, 2019 (D.C. Act 23-58; 66
28 DCR 7341), to authorize legitimate theaters to operate sidewalk cafés (“emergency legislation”).

29 (b) The Legitimate Theater Sidewalk Café Authorization Temporary Amendment Act of
30 2019, passed on 2nd reading on June 25, 2019 (Enrolled version of Bill 23-306) (“temporary
31 legislation”) must be transmitted to Congress for the 30-day review period required by section
32 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat.
33 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and is not projected to become law until after
34 expiration of the emergency legislation.

35 (c) It is important that the provisions of the emergency legislation continue in effect,
36 without interruption, until the temporary legislation is in effect.

37 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
38 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the
39 Legitimate Theater Sidewalk Café Authorization Congressional Review Emergency Amendment
40 Act of 2019 be adopted after a single reading.

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