

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Independence and Funding Restructuring Amendment Act of 2019 to restore an applicability date provision.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Commission on the Arts and Humanities Budget Subtitle Technical Emergency Declaration of 2019”.

Sec. 2. (a) On June 25, 2019, the Council approved the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Support Emergency Act of 2019 (D.C. Act 23-91).

(b) D.C. Act 23-91 included a subtitle entitled the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Independence and Funding Restructuring Emergency Amendment Act of 2019 (CAH subtitle). The CAH subtitle established the Commission on the Arts and Humanities as an independent agency of the District government and restructured the grantmaking programs at the agency.

(c) The CAH subtitle included an applicability provision that provided that the CAH subtitle would become effective on the date D.C. Act 23-91 was enacted which was on July 22, 2019.

(d) The Council approved the introduced version of D.C. Act 23-91 on June 25, 2019 with the applicability provision included, but the enrolled version that was signed by the Mayor inadvertently left out the provision.

24 (e) The underlying legislation restores the applicability provision and provides that the
25 CAH subtitle will apply retroactively as of July 22, 2019.

26 (f) This technical amendment is necessary to clarify that the Commission on the Arts and
27 Humanities began operating as an independent agency of the District government on July 22nd
28 which is what was voted on when the Council approved the CAH subtitle.

29 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
30 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the
31 Commission the Arts and Humanities Budget Subtitle Technical Emergency Declaration
32 Resolution of 2019 be adopted after a single reading.

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