

Chairman Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to establish the Career Mobility Action Plan (Career MAP) pilot to combat the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic by assisting households through removal of financial disincentives to pursuing higher earnings through employment resulting from loss of eligibility for various public assistance programs, commonly referred to as the “benefit cliff” effect.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Career Mobility Action Plan Establishment Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need for the District of Columbia (“District”) to enact legislation to establish the Career MAP program.

(b) The federal government has appropriated time-limited funds for States, including the District, to establish programs to combat the negative economic impacts of COVID-19.

(c) The District budgeted a portion of the federally-appropriated American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds for use in fiscal year 2022 to establish the Career MAP program to ease benefit cliffs as emergency and special assistance measures taken during the COVID-19 public emergency begin to expire. The

1 emergency legislation will allow the District to begin committing the allocated funds to
2 build out the program for its intended purposes.

3 (d) This emergency legislation is now necessary in order to grant the District
4 Department of Human Services legal authority to establish and administer the Career
5 MAP pilot program.

6 (e) This emergency legislation is necessary in order to begin to procure services
7 and enroll households in Career MAP in anticipation of the end of the District's public
8 emergency and corresponding temporary expansion of various public benefits.

9 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the
10 circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it
11 necessary that the Career Mobility Action Plan Establishment Emergency Act of 2022 be
12 adopted after a single reading.

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