



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C

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Mayor Muriel Bowser
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington DC, 20004

sent by email attachment to eom@dc.gov

Re: Resolution in Support of LGBTQAI+ Housing

Dear Mayor Bowser:

At a duly-noticed public meeting held on May 1, 2019, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C passed the attached resolution by a vote of 7-0-0.

Please advise if anything further is necessary.

Ted Guthrie

Chair, ANC 1C

cc: Chair Mendelson, Council Members Bonds, Grosso, Silverman, White, White, Nadeau, Evans, McDuffie, Allen, Cheh, Todd and Gray

ANC 1C Resolution in Support of LGBTQAI+ Housing

Whereas, the District of Columbia has a housing shortage that has reached critical proportions, and

Whereas, that shortage has put upward pressure on rents making rental units increasingly unaffordable, and

Whereas, many long-time residents of the District of Columbia are being forced out of homes and neighborhoods as they become unable to afford higher and higher rents, and

Whereas, older residents on fixed incomes are among those most at risk of being forced out, especially upon the loss of a spouse or partner, and

Whereas, the District of Columbia has the highest percentage of LGBTQAI+ residents of any city in the country, and

Whereas, elders in our LGBTQAI+ community are among those at risk who wish to remain in their homes and among friends, neighbors, and community, therefore

Be it resolved that Adams Morgan ANC 1C supports the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs receiving 24 housing vouchers for LGBTQ Older Adults through the District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA), and

Be it further resolved that Adams Morgan ANC 1C urges all relevant agencies to acknowledge and address the unmet need for LGBT-friendly Senior Housing, such as has already been established in Chicago, Philadelphia, New York, San Francisco, and other major cities. We urge the DC Office of Aging, Office on LGBTQ Affairs, and the District of Columbia Housing Authority to work together to fulfill this critical need so that LGBTQAI+ seniors may age in place in our community.