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RE: Resolution in support of Black Lives Matter

At a duly-noticed public meeting held on 7/1/2020, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C passed the attached resolution in support of Black Lives Matter by a vote of 7-0-0.

Amir Irani
Chairperson, ANC 1C

ANC 1C Resolution in Support of Black Lives Matter

Whereas, ANC 1C stands in solidarity with protestors to honor the lives of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Tony McDade, Dreasjon Reed, David McActee, and those we have lost to police here in DC:

- Jeffery Price, age 22, was chased to his death in DC by the Metropolitan Police Department on May 4, 2018.
- D'Quan Young, age 24, was shot and killed in DC by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) on May 9, 2018.
- Marquese Alston, 22, was shot and killed in DC by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) June 12, 2018
- Terrence Sterling, 31, was chased, shot and killed by DC by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) on September 11, 2016
- Raphael Briscoe- age 18, as shot and killed in DC by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) on April 26, 2011
- The names of more loved ones lost have been compiled here by [Stop Police Terror Project DC](#).

Black lives matter.

Whereas, the black community makes up less than half (46%) of D.C.'s population, yet black people remain the subjects of the vast majority of all stops, frisks, uses of force in the District, and makeup the majority of DC prison inmates.

- A January 2018 D.C. Office of Police Complaints (OPC) [report](#) found that of the 2,224 total reported uses of force in Fiscal Year 2017 (October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017), 89% involved a Black subject.
- A February 2018 [investigative report](#) from WUSA9 analyzed pre-NEAR Act data and found that approximately 80% of the stops involved a Black subject.
- OPC released its [FY18 Annual Report](#) that revealed officer misconduct complaints are up 78% since FY16, 780 complaints were received (the second consecutive year of receiving a record number of complaints), 501 new investigations were opened. Black complainants consistently make up the majority of all complainants, 72%, 71%, 69%, 74%, and 70% from FY15-FY19 respectively.
- The majority of inmates in the D.C. Jail held in the Central Detention Facility are either awaiting trial or have been sentenced for misdemeanor offenses. The overwhelming majority of inmates are black: 95% are male, of that 88.5% are black men; 5% inmates are women, 75.4% of whom are black women. The

District of Columbia has the highest rates of incarceration and the most police per capita in the country.

Whereas, 104 protestors were arrested at Black Lives Matter demonstrations over the May 30-May 31 weekend, according to reporting by WUSA9, 50% of whom were charged for felony rioting, 33% for burglary and 27% for curfew violation. An additional 288 protesters were arrested on Monday, June 1, 2020, 63% charged with curfew violation.

Whereas, Mayor Bowser's budget proposal includes:

- an 11.4% decrease in funding for the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement (which provides violence intervention resources and resources to cope with the associated trauma that comes from witnessing the cycle of gun violence),
- increase in the MPD Cadet Academy budget by \$1.7 million to increase the number of cadets,
- includes \$2 million for 30 more correctional officers, and
- \$5 million for a new jail from FY25, the total cost of which will be between \$500 and 600 million.

Whereas, over 69% of schools in DC have police, also known as school resource officers, on site. Schools with counselors, nurses, social workers, and psychologists see improved attendance rates, better academic achievement, and higher graduation rates as well as lower rates of suspension, expulsion, and other disciplinary incidents. Data shows that the presence of school-based mental health providers not only improves outcomes for students, but can also improve overall school safety. By contrast, there is no evidence that increased police presence in schools improves school safety and actually causes harm. When in schools, police officers do what they are trained to do, which is detain, handcuff, and arrest.

Be it resolved, that ANC 1C demands that Mayor Bowser and DC Council protect the rights and safety of protesters and take swift and decisive legislative action in response to ongoing fatal police killings and other violence against Black people across our country.

Be it further resolved, that ANC 1C demands that the Mayor and Council:

- Reduce funding for Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) further than the \$33 million proposed cuts proposed by Councilmember Charles Allen

- Enforce a four-year term for DC Police Chiefs, which would go into effect retroactively and subject Police Chief Peter Newsham to Council review in 2021
- Remove police in schools
- Drop charges against 392 protestors arrested on May 30, May 31, and June 1, 2020
- End construction of new jails in DC
- Ban stop and frisk
- Release body cam footage publicly of all police related deaths within 72 hours

Be it further resolved, that ANC 1C demands that the Mayor and Council redirect the proposed increase in funding for MPD in FY21 to invest in the community by instead restoring or increasing funding to:

- Office of Neighborhood Safety & Engagement
- Workforce Development and State Initiatives
- Bullying Prevention Oversight and Investigations in the Office of Human Rights
- Victim Services and Access to Justice in the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants
- Youth Development Services and Health and Wellness Services in the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services
- Clinical Services Division and Prevention/Early Intervention - School Mental Health in the Department of Behavioral Health