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Hon. Councilmember Mary Cheh

Chairperson, Committee on Transportation and the Environment

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, DC 20004

RE: ANC 1C Resolution in support of the Walk Without Worry Act

and the Safe Routes to School Expansion Regulation Act

Dear Chair Cheh:

At a duly-noticed public meeting held on 2/2/2022, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C voted 7-0-0 in support of the attached resolution.

ANC 1C has repeatedly called for traffic calming measures throughout Adams Morgan. In the attached resolution ANC 1C calls for support of the referenced bills that prioritize pedestrian and cyclist safety and ensure that changes to slow traffic will be implemented systematically and comprehensively.

Sincerely,

Fiona Clem

Chairperson, ANC 1C

cc: Hon. Janeese Lewis George, Ward 4 Councilmember, <u>jlewisgeorge@dccouncil.us</u>

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Resolution in support of the Walk Without Worry Act and the Safe Routes to School Expansion Regulation Act

Whereas, in February of 2015, Mayor Muriel Bowser committed Washington, D.C. to The Vision Zero Initiative calling to implement changes necessary to end all fatalities and serious injuries to travelers of our transportation system by 2024; and

Whereas, in 2021, 40 people were killed on the streets of DC, as a direct result of our city's ongoing failure to make our streets and sidewalks safe for pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists; and

Whereas one of those killed was Nina Larson, a 24 year old aspiring opera singer and server at Mintwood Place, was killed in ANC 1C while crossing the street at the intersection of Columbia Rd NW and Biltmore St NW; and

Whereas, ANC 1C has consistently supported traffic calming measures throughout Adams Morgan, including speed humps, raised crosswalks, bulbouts, lowered speed limits and more; and

Whereas, comprehensive and systemic changes to our streets are needed to make progress towards making Vision Zero a reality and making our streets safe for all, including the most vulnerable road users; and

Whereas the Walk Without Worry Act, introduced by Councilmember Brianne Nadeau with eight co-sponsors, would standardize the use of continuous sidewalks, raised crosswalks, and raised intersections designs and require DDOT to incorporate them in all new paving or roadway resurfacing contracts; and

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Whereas the Safe Routes to School Expansion Regulation Act, introduced by Councilmember Janeese Lewis George with unanimous support from the Councilcolleagues, would enhance public school safety infrastructure and enforcement, including larger school zones and reduced speed limits; and

Whereas these bills would begin to prioritize pedestrian and cyclist safety and ensure that changes to slow traffic will be implemented systematically and comprehensively, rather than on a piecemeal and ad hoc basis; now, therefore, be it

Resolved ANC 1C urges Transportation and Environment Committee Chair Mary Cheh to schedule hearings on these bills as soon as possible, and urges Council Chair Phil Mendelson to make consideration and voting on these measures a top priority of the Council,

Resolved, ANC 1C urges the entire council to support these bills, and to conduct robust oversight to ensure these bills are effectively implemented.