

P.O. Box 2236, Washington, DC 20013

## **August 5, 202**

## Re: Resolution in Support of the Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act of 2025

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on July 31, 2025, with a quorum present (8 commissioners present, 0 commissioners absent, and 1 vacant single-member district), ANC 6E voted (6 Ayes-2 Abstains-0 Nays) to APPROVE a resolution that conveys to the D.C. Council the Commission's support for passing the B26-0126 - Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act of 2025 by the D.C. Council, after amending the definition of the term "utility" to include internet services in common spaces, as follows:

WHEREAS, constituents in ANC 6E have raised concerns regarding multifamily buildings charging tenants for the electricity, water, or gas usage of common spaces in the building;

WHEREAS, Councilmember Charles Allen introduced B26-0126 - Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act of 2025, legislation that would prohibit multifamily housing providers from separately charging tenants for the utility charges for the property's common areas;

WHEREAS, the legislation defines the term "utility" to include: electricity usage; gas usage; wastewater and sewage disposal service usage; and water consumption or usage;

WHEREAS, the D.C. Council held a public hearing on B26-0126 in May 2025;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 6E supports passing the B26-0126 - Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act of 2025 by the D.C. Council, after amending the definition of the term "utility" to include internet services in common spaces.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION,

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Chair, ANC 6E