

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013



July 2, 2007

Chief Cathy Lanier Metropolitan Police Department 300 Indiana Avenue NW Washington DC 20011

Chief Lanier:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on June 14, 2007, with a quorum present, our Commission voted unanimously to request the Metropolitan Police Department to renew utilization and involvement in bicycle patrol for officers within the First District.

Bicycle patrols are important and effective in community policing. Bicycle patrols allow patrol officers, in full uniform, to more effectively engage in detection and surveillance of the criminal element while still presenting an approachable and engaged appearance to the general public. For these reasons, we are requesting that MPD train and assign officers to work in bicycle patrol, at the Commander's discretion, in communities throughout the First District during the warmer months.

We look forward to your response to our community's request.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

CC: First District Commander Diane Groomes

Councilmember Tommy Wells Councilmember Kwame R. Brown Councilmember Carol Schwartz

Councilmember David Catania