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Advisory Neighborhood Commission  
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The Honorable Adrian Fenty  
Mayor  
Executive Office of the Mayor  
Government of the District of Columbia  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 316  
Washington, D.C. 20004

RE: ANC 6A Support for the H Street Festival and Request to Waive the Signature Requirement

Dear Mayor Fenty:

Please be advised that the Commission, at its regularly scheduled meeting held on July 8, 2010, with a quorum present, voted unanimously to support the Annual H Street Festival and to request that the District waive its normal signature requirements to allow the Festival to move forward without delay.

As you know, the H Street Festival is an annual street festival designed to showcase the unique and vibrant qualities of the entire H Street NE corridor. During this past year, this festival attracted over 15,000 thousand attendees and is part of H Street Main Street's (HSMS) revitalization strategy to showcase many of the H Street community businesses, bringing attention to the developing arts and entertainment district at the eastern end and ultimately the entire H Street NE corridor as a whole. This festival is not only a mainstay and an established community event for residents and businesses, but also provides economic stimulus for many of its businesses which in years past have experienced their best gross receipts for the entire year on the day of the H Street Festival.

It is for this reason, along with the fact that there have been many challenges experienced by local businesses and patrons due to the construction along the corridor making it very difficult to gather the manpower normally used to collect signatures, that the ANC voted unanimously to request that a waiver of the signature requirement for the H Street Festival be granted.

We could not be in more need of an event that spurs economic growth than this year and believe that it is within the public good for the H Street Festival to proceed without issue or delay.

On behalf of the Commission,

Kelvin J. Robinson  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Neil Albert, City Administrator  
Tommy Wells, Councilmember, Ward 6