



May 15, 2015

The Honorable Muriel Bowser Mayor, District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

RE: ANC6A support for proposed Capitol Riverside Youth Sports Park

Dear Mayor Bowser:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum to write you to express our support for the Capitol Riverside Youth Sports Park ("CRYSP"), a proposed youth sports park and unprogrammed green space for the largely vacant parking lots North of RFK Stadium bounded on the West by Oklahoma Avenue, on the South by C Street NE, on the East by the Anacostia River, and on the North by Benning Road NE.

CRYSP is a neighborhood-inspired vision for playing fields, walk/bike trails, an outdoor farmer's market pavilion, river access and other amenities that would replace the north lot on the RFK Stadium Complex. This vision addresses a key lack of field space that has left youth sports teams without sufficient facilities in Wards 5, 6, and 7.

ANC6A believes that CRYSP would be a great asset to our community, as well as others nearby in Wards 5, 6 and 7. A safe place for children to get outside and play and a green space for all residents to enjoy are sorely needed in this area and would benefit the District as a whole.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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cc: Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development Gregory A. O'Dell, President and Chief Executive Officer, Events DC Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember Yvetter Alexander, Ward 7

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