

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



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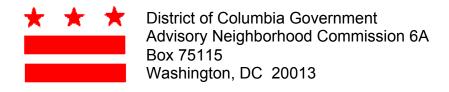
Re: Opposition to June 21-22, 2014 Red Bull Global Rallycross

Dear Mayor Gray,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 10, 2014, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted 6-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the upcoming June 21 and 22, 2014 Red Bull Global Rallycross at the RFK Stadium and parking lots.

We oppose the race because of our previous experience with the Cadillac Grand Prix held at RFK Stadium in 2002. During that event there were several full days of deafening racing noise with no possibility of relief for homeowners.

ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the <a href="mailto:anc6a-announce@googlegroups.com">anc6a-announce@googlegroups.com</a>, ANC-6A and NewHillEast yahoogroups, on the Commission's website, and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.





The last auto race was deafening. Please don't subject our community to that type of experience again. These races are usually held in open country or in a stadium that confines the sound. A repetitive high volume circuit in the middle of a city is just plain wrong. In 20002, residents as far away as the western edge of our Commission we were irritated by the sound volumes. ANC 6C to our west complained about the noise, saying it could be heard at Union Station, about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles away from the course.

There is no possibility that the Rallycross competitors will be able to keep the sound at levels that meets the city ordinance while racing in the RFK lots.

The noise ordinance specifies:

Zone	<b>Daytime (7a - 9p)</b>	Nighttime (9p - 7a)
Commercial	65 dB	60 dB
Industrial	70 dB	65 dB
Residential, Waterfront, Special Use		60 dB 55 dB
Other Zone	60 dB	60 dB

These are full-throated racing cars, often running at 8000 to 9000 peak RPM. They are powered by small displacement engine that generate 550-600 horsepower. The sound of Rallycross racing can be heard at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0 MnOSw5bOjU#t=549.

Visit that link to hear the noise levels generated.

On behalf of the Commission,

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