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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
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June 15, 2021

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

The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chair, Council of the District of Columbia  
John A. Wilson Building  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 504  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: ANC6A Response to Public Restroom Report

Dear Mayor Bowser and Chairman Mendelson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on May 13, 2021, our Commission voted 7-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the potential siting of a public restroom pilot at 17th Street and Benning Road NE.

The April 2021 '*Public Restroom Facilities and Promotion Act of 2018: Report on the Sites with Frequent Incidents of Public Defecation and Urination*,' states that 17<sup>th</sup> Street NE and Benning Road NE is a location under consideration for a public restroom.

Our Commission recognizes the need for public restrooms. On November 12, 2020, ANC 6A voted unanimously to support the placement of the public restrooms and facilities in at least one location on H St NE. Our recommended locations did not include 17th Street and Benning Road NE. We request additional public services for this area to curb drug use and illegal activity and violent crime, including robbery/theft, stabbings and shootings. In addition we request that our Commission be included in any planning discussions for locating public restrooms within our Commission area.

Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please contact me at [6A04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:6A04@anc.dc.gov).

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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