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William O. Howland  
DC Department of Public Works  
Government of the District of Columbia  
Frank D. Reeves Municipal Center  
2000 14th Street NW, 6th Floor  
Washington, DC 20009

Re: Request to Increase Frequency of Public Trash Can Pick-up at 8<sup>th</sup> & H Streets, NE

Dear Mr. Howland,

On July 14, 2005, ANC 6A voted 7-0 request that the Department of Public Works increase the frequency with which the street trash cans near the 8<sup>th</sup> and H Street, NE bus lines are emptied. The trash cans subject to this request are all within one block in each direction from this intersection and are the brown metal trash cans usually located near bus stops.

The intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> and H Streets, NE is one of the busiest transit intersections in the city. According to the H Street Strategic Redevelopment Plan, the X2 bus line has over 16,000 weekday riders and the 90/92/93 bus lines have over 17,000 weekday riders. The intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> and H Streets, NE is the transfer point between these lines, and many transit customers spend time waiting to transfer here. As a result, there is a high volume of trash generated and the public trash cans fill up quickly.

On June 28, 2005, our Commission's Economic Development & Zoning Committee toured H Street NE between 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets, NE. The committee found that litter tends to be more of a problem on the 700 and 800 blocks of H Street NE than further east. It appeared that this may be related to the heavy pedestrian and transit passenger use of these blocks. The committee found many of the trash cans were completely full, suggesting that DPW needs to empty them more frequently.

The committee also noticed that some of the trash cans had bagged trash, suggesting illegal dumping. It may be advisable for DPW to send a sanitation inspector to determine if this bagged trash can be linked back to a person or business.

We would request the courtesy of a written reply to this request by September 1, 2005 so that we may provide an update at our September ANC meeting. If you have any questions about recommendation, please contact Commissioner Cody Rice at 544-3734 or [rice6A03@verizon.net](mailto:rice6A03@verizon.net).

Respectfully yours,

Joseph Fengler  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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