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(Via Email First Class Mail)

Councilmember Phil Mendelson
1350 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Suite 402
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Status of B16-381, the "Anti-Prostitution Vehicle Impoundment Amendment Act of 2005"

Dear Councilmember Mendelson,

It has come to our attention that B16-381, the "Anti-Prostitution Vehicle Impoundment Amendment Act of 2005" (the "Bill"), is still pending markup by the Legislative Committee and eventual vote by the City Council. This is to advise you that at its duly held public meeting, January 4, 2006, with a quorum present and acting throughout, ANC2F, unanimously adopted the following resolution:

RESOLVED: Having determined that prostitution constitutes a major and growing crime problem within Washington, D.C. generally, and within the boundaries of ANC2F, specifically; and that currently existing law in the District of Columbia has proved inadequate to control this crime, ANC2F deems it to be in the best interests of the citizens of the District of Columbia that bill B16-381, "Anti-Prostitution Vehicle Impoundment Amendment Act of 2005" (the "Bill"), pending before the D.C. Council that the Bill be adopted in its current form, and pursuant to D.C. Code § 1-309.10(a) advises the Legislative Committee of the Council to expedite consideration of the Bill and further advises the D.C. Council to adopt this much needed law enforcement tool.

As you are probably aware, our community is plagued by prostitution, and members of the community and this ANC are keenly interested in ensuring the proper legal framework is in place to address this long standing problem. Prior to the public hearing on this Bill on September 22, 2005, members of the community submitted letters to the Secretary of the Council supporting the Bill, to include a petition with 27 signatures. During the public hearing, Mr. Robert Ellison, one of the Commissioners of this ANC, testified in support of the Bill as did concerned citizens Cary Silverman (formerly a chairman of ANC2F) and Sherry Kimble (past Executive Director of ANC2F).

Your support in guiding this Bill through the legislative process is essential and we request your support with its passage. We know that you, a former Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner, have seen the adverse impact of prostitution at the local level and we count upon your experience to add to the arsenal of statutory resources to bear in the fight against this crime.

This letter is intended as advice which is entitled to great weight under D.C. Code § 1-309.10(d)(3)(A).

Sincerely yours,



Charles D. Reed
Chairman, ANC2F

cc (via e-mail)

Councilmember Jack Evans

Jennifer Trock, President, Logan Circle Community Association

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