



**Government of the District of Columbia
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B**

**7720 Alaska Avenue, NW, Room 106
Washington, DC 20012**

RESOLUTION #4B-19-0307

**Supporting Funding in FY2020 Budget to Address Chronic Homelessness
Adopted March 25, 2019**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B takes note of the following:

- Ending chronic homelessness is urgent. In 2017, 45 people died without a home in DC. Currently, over 4,160 individuals experience homelessness in DC, 1,644 of whom need lifesaving housing interventions. In the DC area, almost 71 percent of individuals experiencing homelessness are people of color, and 76 percent of women experiencing homelessness have historical experiences of violence or threats to their safety.
- Ending chronic homelessness is a moral imperative. The Commission believes that no individual should live or die without the dignity of a home; that housing ends homelessness; and that ending chronic homelessness is urgent, possible, and cost-effective.
- A coalition of over 5,500 concerned citizens and over 100 organizations have called on Mayor Bowser and the DC Council to invest approximately \$35.5 million to address chronic homelessness through funding permanent supportive housing for 986 individuals and 177 families, and targeted affordable housing for 154 individuals who are most at risk of dying on the streets or in shelter.
- On March 21st, Mayor Bowser released her proposed FY2020 budget, which included funding permanent supportive housing for 325 individuals and 180 families and targeted affordable housing for 20 individuals.

RESOLVED:

- That Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B supports Mayor Bowser's investment in permanent supportive housing for 325 individuals and 180

families and targeted affordable housing for 20 individuals (approximately \$15.5 million).

- That Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B calls on the DC Council to further fund permanent supportive housing for an additional 661 individuals and targeted affordable housing for an additional 135 individuals (approximately \$20.7 million).

FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Commission designates Commissioner Erin Palmer, ANC 4B02, to represent the Commission in all matters relating to this resolution.

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That, in the event the designated representative Commissioner cannot carry out their representative duties for any reason, the Commission authorizes the Chair to designate another Commissioner to represent the Commission in all matter relating to this resolution.

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Consistent with DC Code § 1-309, only actions of the full Commission voting in a properly noticed public meeting have standing and carry great weight. The actions, positions, and opinions of individual commissioners, insofar as they may be contradictory to or otherwise inconsistent with the expressed position of the full Commission in a properly adopted resolution or letter, have no standing and cannot be considered as in any way associated with the Commission.

ADOPTED by show of hands vote at a regular public meeting (notice of which was properly given, and at which a quorum of nine of nine members was present) on March 25, 2019, by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain.