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RESOLUTION OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 4D CONCERNING INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS ON THE 4800 BLOCK OF 7TH STREET NW

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D takes note of the following:

- 1. **WHEREAS** The 4800 block of 7th St. NW consists of a long, straight, downhill stretch of road that currently lacks any vertical traffic calming measures;
- 2. **WHEREAS** The 4800 block of 7th St. NW ultimately terminates just north of Sherman Circle NW;
- WHEREAS Sherman Circle is a beloved and highly-trafficked neighborhood park that is used regularly and widely for recreation by young children residing within and outside ANC 4D;
- 4. **WHEREAS** in October 2021, a vehicle traveling towards Sherman Circle on another block with similar qualities long, straight, downhill, and with no vertical traffic calming measures did so at high speed, failing to turn into the circle and instead driving into the park with enough force to destroy one of Sherman Circle's lampposts;
- 5. **WHEREAS** in October 2021, our community was fortunate that this vehicle struck a lamppost rather than a young child, many of whom were playing in

the park at the time;1

- 6. **WHEREAS** on the morning of July 8, 2023, a car just a few blocks away jumped the curb and entered Grant Circle Park, crashing into a tree (and again, fortunately, not a young child);²
- 7. WHEREAS DC's Department of Transportation has previously recognized unsafe conditions on Sherman Circle, recommending as far back as 2016 that even more substantial traffic calming measures be taken to keep pedestrians safe, and that the Circle be converted to one lane of vehicle traffic to slow traffic and shorten crossing distance for pedestrians using the circle;³
- 8. **WHEREAS** Traffic Safety Investigation #22-00363394 was submitted in 2022 requesting speed bumps to be installed on the 4800 Block of 7th St. NW due to the prevalence of speeding observed on that block and its proximity to one of our neighborhood's parks;
- 9. **WHEREAS** in March 2023, DDOT informed the Commissioners for SMDs 4D04 and 4D06 that DDOT had conducted an engineering evaluation in response to TSI #22-00363394 and concluded that it should install two speed humps on the 4800 block of 7th St. NW;
- 10. **WHEREAS** in June 2023, without informing ANC 4D's Commissioners, DDOT updated its plans for the 4800 block of 7th St. NW to decline to install new speed humps;
- 11. **WHEREAS** the community has amply demonstrated that they support this project;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D:

1. URGES DDOT to follow through with its initial determination, and install speed humps on the 4800 Block of 7th St. as it indicated that it would in

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² https://twitter.com/fox mccloud/status/1677644480650915840

³ https://anc4d.org/uploads/1/2/4/6/124699457/rceii finalrecommendationsbooklet final.pdf

March 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That Commissioner Aman George (4D06) is hereby authorized to represent the commission in all matters relating to this resolution.

This Resolution of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D Concerning Installation of Speed Humps on the 4800 Block of 7th St. NW was considered on July 19, 2023 before ANC 4D at a duly noticed meeting of the Commission in the presence of a quorum.

The vote of the Commission was 6 in favor, 2 against, and 0 abstentions. The resolution is hereby adopted as resolution number 4D-2023-09.

Signed by:

Anthony Pirrotti, ANC 4D Chair

Dated: July 20, 2023