



DC ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7D

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Honorary Renaming of the 1300, 1400, 1500 & 1600 Blocks of A St, NE to recognize the Blue & White Marching Machine

Dear Councilmembers Gray and Allen:

At its regular meeting on September 12, 2023, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7D (“ANC 7D” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 9 of 10 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (9-0-0):

WHEREAS, Eastern Senior High School, located at 1700 East Capitol Street, NE is popularly known as “the Pride of Capitol Hill,”

WHEREAS, Eastern Senior High School is celebrating its 100th anniversary as a highly-regarded, community-focused public school at this location,

WHEREAS, students and alumni of Eastern Senior High school take great pride in contributing to and celebrating the academics, arts and athletics of this important and historic District institution,

WHEREAS, the musicians and dance team of Eastern Senior High School are known collectively as “The Blue and White Marching Machine” (BWMM),

WHEREAS, to the delight of local residents and families as well as fellow students and faculty, the BWMM regularly enliven the 1300-1600 Blocks of A Street, NE of Ward 7 and Ward 6 with its marching, dance, drum and music practice,

WHEREAS, demonstrating and celebrating support for the contributions by all communities uniquely builds community and District spirit and good neighborliness,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 7D proposes and supports the honorary renaming of (*some or all of*) the 1300 to 1600 blocks of A Street, NE to “BWMM Way” or “EHS Band Way” or a similar name compliant with DDOT regulations to honor the contributions of “The Blue and White Marching Machine” to the immediately adjacent Capitol Hill Community. Commissioner Brian Alcorn (7d08@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission’s representative for this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION,

Wendell Felder, Chairperson, ANC 7D