



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

February 13, 2026

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**RE: Dupont Circle Citizens Association Membership Suspension and Meetings**

Dear Mr. Hanlon,

At its regular meeting on February 11, 2026, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 9 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (8-0-1):

**WHEREAS** The Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA) is a long-standing nonprofit civic organization serving residents within the ANC 2B area; and DCCA has historically played an important role in neighborhood engagement, community events, grantmaking, and public dialogue affecting Dupont Circle residents; and Community organizations function best when their governance practices are transparent, inclusive, and consistent with their own governing documents and applicable nonprofit law; and ANC 2B has an interest in the health and stability of neighborhood civic organizations that serve as key avenues for neighborhood civic participation; and

**WHEREAS ANC 2B HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT** new memberships for DCCA have been suspended for over six months, limiting residents’ ability to join or participate in the organization; Meetings of the Board of Directors have not been convened for over seven months, impairing Board oversight and governance; The regularly scheduled December 2025 and January 2026 membership meetings were not convened, reducing opportunities for member participation and engagement; Certain organizational decisions, including grantmaking and policy matters, have been handled through emergency or committee processes rather than through Board or membership meetings; Concerns have arisen regarding member participation and access to governance processes after the removal of members from the November 17th, 2025 membership meeting; These issues have generated concern among multiple DCCA members and officers and have led to requests for outside guidance regarding nonprofit governance practices;

**WHEREAS** ANC 2B does not take positions on internal leadership disputes within private organizations, but does have a legitimate interest in ensuring that neighborhood institutions that serve the public operate in a manner that is open, lawful, and accessible to residents;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT ANC 2B:** Expresses concern regarding reports of prolonged suspension of membership access, the absence of regular Board and membership meetings within the Dupont Circle Citizens Association, and the removal of members from a membership meeting; Encourages DCCA leadership and Board members to restore regular governance processes consistent with their bylaws, including:

- Reopening membership access to eligible residents,
- Convening properly noticed full Board and membership meetings, and
- Ensuring that major organizational decisions are made through the governance structures established in their governing documents;
- Supports efforts toward constructive resolution, including mediation or outside nonprofit governance guidance, to help restore stable and transparent operations;
- Affirms the importance of inclusive community participation in neighborhood civic organizations and the value of governance practices that foster, rather than restrict, member engagement.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED ANC 2B** transmits this resolution to the leadership of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association and makes it part of the public record as an expression of the Commission's interest in healthy, transparent neighborhood civic institutions.

Commissioners Alex Marshall ([2B05@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B05@anc.dc.gov)) and Zach Adams ([2B08@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B08@anc.dc.gov)) are the Commission's representatives for this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Zachary Adams', written in a cursive style.

Zachary Adams  
Chair