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MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

JUN 17 2017

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 504
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

Enclosed for consideration and approval by the Council of the District of Columbia is the "Leave and Retirement Modifications for Chief of Police Peter Newsham Amendment Act of 2017."

The proposed bill would modify the leave provisions applicable to Executive Service to provide annual and sick leave accrual for the Chief of Police Peter Newsham, authorize the Mayor to enter into Executive Service employment contracts with terms consistent with prevailing recruitment customs, make additional technical corrections; and amend the District of Columbia Policemen and Firemen's Retirement and Disability Act to provide that, upon retirement from the Metropolitan Police Department, Chief Newsham shall be entitled to an annuity computed at 80% of his average highest base pay for 24 consecutive months.

I urge you and the Council to take prompt and favorable action on the enclosed legislation. If you have any questions, please contact Alana Intrieri, Director of the Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs, at (202) 727-2816.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

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7 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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10 To amend the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to
11 modify the leave provisions applicable to Peter Newsham as Chief of Police of the
12 Metropolitan Police Department; and to amend the Policemen and Firemen's Retirement
13 and Disability Act to provide that Peter Newsham, as Chief of Police of the Metropolitan
14 Police Department, shall be entitled to an annuity computed at 80% of his average pay in
15 effect over any 24 consecutive months upon retirement or voluntary separation from the
16 Metropolitan Police Department.

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
18 act may be cited as the "Leave and Retirement Modifications for Chief of Police Peter Newsham
19 Amendment Act of 2017".

20 Sec. 2. Section 1061 of the District of Columbia Government Comprehensive Merit
21 Personnel Act of 1978, effective June 10, 1988 (D.C. Law 12-124; D.C. Official Code § 1-
22 610.61), is amended as follows:

23 (a) The existing text is designated as subsection (a).

24 (b) A new subsection (b) is added to read as follows:

25 "(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, Peter Newsham, while serving as
26 Chief of Police, shall earn leave under section 1203, consistent with the leave he earned as a
27 member of the Metropolitan Police Department based upon his years of service immediately
28 prior to his appointment as Chief of Police."

29 Sec. 3. Section 12(h) of the Policemen and Firemen’s Retirement and Disability Act,
30 approved August 21, 1957 (71 Stat. 395; D.C. Official Code § 5-712), is amended by adding a
31 new paragraph (7A) to read as follows:

32 “(7A) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, at the time that Chief of Police
33 Peter Newsham voluntarily retires or is otherwise separated from the Metropolitan Police
34 Department, he shall be entitled to an annuity computed at 80% of his average pay in effect over
35 any 24 consecutive months.”

36 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

37 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement contained in the committee report as the
38 fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
39 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code §1-206.02(c)(3)(2001)).

40 Sec. 5. Effective date.

41 This act shall take effect after approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
42 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as
43 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
44 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)(2001)), and publication in the
45 District of Columbia Register.

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MEMORANDUM

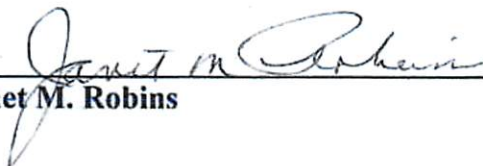
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DATE: June 14, 2017

SUBJECT: Draft Bill, the "Leave and Retirement Modifications for Chief of Police Peter Newsham Amendment Act of 2017"
(AE-17-243-C)

This is to Certify that this Office has reviewed the above-referenced draft bill and found it to be legally sufficient. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 724-5524.


Janet M. Robins