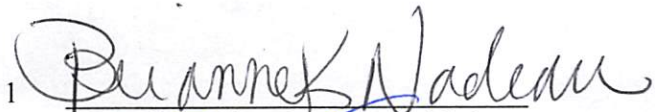

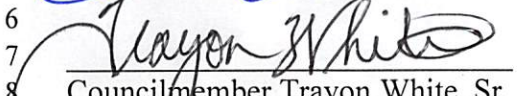
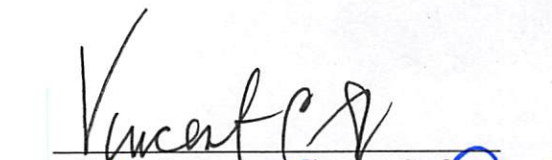
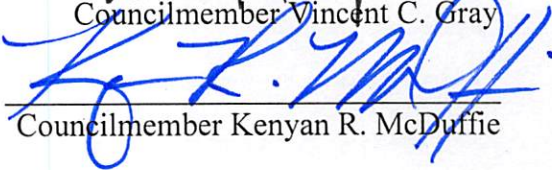


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23 To require that all general acute care hospitals and special hospitals adopt the “Ten Steps to
24 Successful Breastfeeding” sponsored by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the
25 United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF).

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27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
28 act may be cited as the “Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative Act of 2018”.

29 Sec. 2. Definitions.

30 (1) “Perinatal unit” means a maternity and newborn service of the hospital for the
31 provision of care during pregnancy, labor, deliver, and postpartum and neonatal periods with
32 appropriate staff, space, equipment, and supplies.

33 (2) “Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative” means the program sponsored by the World
34 Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) that recognizes
35 hospitals that offer an optimal level of care for infant feeding.

36 Sec. 3. Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative.

37 All general acute care hospitals and special hospitals that have a perinatal unit shall, by
38 October 1, 2025, adopt the “Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding,” as adopted by Baby-
39 Friendly USA, per the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative, or an alternate process adopted by a
40 health care service plan that includes evidenced-based policies and practices and targeted
41 outcomes, or the Model Hospital Policy.

42 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

43 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal impact
44 statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved
45 October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

46 Sec. 5. Effective date.

47 This act shall take effect after approval by the Mayor (or in the event of a veto by the
48 Mayor, override of the veto by the Council, a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided
49 in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973
50 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia
51 Register.