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A BILL

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IN THE COUNCIL OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To amend, Chapter 10 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code to establish that the CBE requirements associated with Lots 824 and 826 in Square 2950 apply to the gross project spend goal for the full Children’s National Research and Innovation Campus redevelopment project and require the health care provider to pay the District the sum proportionate to the difference between the project goal and its actual CBE expenditure during the timeframe of the project if it fails to meet its CBE spend goal.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Children’s National Hospital Research and Innovation Campus Equitable Tax Relief Amendment Act of 2023”.

Sec. 2. Chapter 10 of Title 47 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows:

(a) Section 47-1099.10(c)(1) is amended to read as follows:

“(c)(1) The buildings located on the Property, owned by Children’s National at Walter Reed, LLC, or any subsidiary of Children’s Hospital (“Children’s”), shall remain exempt from real property taxation; provided, that for any contract entered into for architectural design services, construction services, or materials, including design, professional and technical services, construction management and trade work, development, renovation, and suppliers

37 (“services and materials”) needed for the development, remodel, or construction of Phase II of  
38 the Children’s National Research & Innovation Campus (“Project”), Children’s submits to the  
39 Department of Small and Local Business Development (“Department”) for approval a plan to set  
40 and adhere to a Project goal to spend at least 35% of its adjusted budget (“spend goal”) spread  
41 out over the term of the Project with small business enterprises (“SBE”), as defined in section  
42 2302(16) of the Small and Certified Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of  
43 2005, effective October 20, 2005 (D.C. Law 16-33; D.C. Official Code § 2-218.02(16)) (“CBE  
44 Act”).”

45 (b) Section 47-1099.10(d) is amended as follows:

46 (1) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking the phrase “annual” and inserting the  
47 phrase “Project” in its place.

48 (2) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking the phrase “it will forfeit its tax  
49 exemption for the following tax year;” and inserting the phrase “Children’s shall remit to the  
50 District the amount it would have otherwise had to pay in real property tax on behalf of the  
51 buildings on the Property at a sum proportionate to the difference between the Project spend goal  
52 and actual SBE or, if necessary, CBE expenditures during the timeframe of the Project;” in its  
53 place.

54 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement

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

58 Sec. 4. Effective date.

59           (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by  
60 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review  
61 as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December  
62 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of  
63 Columbia Register.