


Councilmember Mary M. Cheh

A RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to create a Parking Meter Fund so that the District Department of Transportation can pay the additional cost of the Parking Meter Maintenance contract.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "District Department of Transportation Parking Meter Fund Establishment Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2013".

Sec. 2. The District Department of Transportation ("DDOT") needs to increase the parking meter maintenance contract to pay for the maintenance of more functional and accessible parking meters. Since 2006, DDOT has made significant improvements to the accessibility of parking meters throughout the District, including the installation of meters that can accept multiple forms of payment. However, the maintenance of parking meters so they can continue to be accessible by residents has become more complicated and more expensive. Without funds for the increased parking meter maintenance contract, which would be deposited in the Parking Meter Fund created by this proposed legislation, there would be an unnecessary delay in the ability of residents to use the new and accessible meters. For example, part of the Parking Meter Fund will be used to pay for an increase in credit and debit card processing fees. Without the ability to process debit and credit cards, meters would be less useful, leading to unnecessary confusion and frustration for residents. To fund the parking meter maintenance contract for fiscal year 2013 without threatening a loss of service to the District, the Parking Meter Fund needs to be established quickly. Furthermore, this Congressional review emergency legislation is necessary to ensure that there is no gap between when the emergency and temporary versions of this legislation become effective.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the District Department of Transportation Parking Meter Fund Establishment Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2013 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.