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The Honorable Phil Mendelson  
Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
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Washington, DC 20004

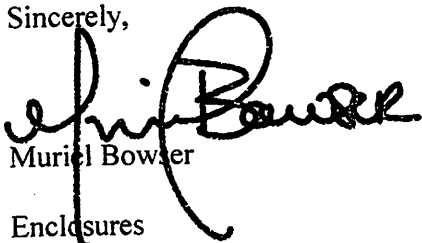
Dear Chairman Mendelson:

Enclosed for consideration and approval by the Council is the "Jackson School Disposition and Lease Approval Emergency Act of 2018," and the "Jackson School Disposition Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2018" (collectively, the "Act"). The Act authorizes the Department of General Services to enter into a lease agreement with Jackson Art Center (the "Tenant") for real property located at 3050 R Street, N.W., Washington, DC, commonly known as the Jackson School and known for tax and assessment purposes as Lot 0840 in Square 1282 (the "Property").


The Property is located in Ward 2 in northwest DC. The land area of the Property is estimated to be 19,991 square feet. The Property is improved with a building consisting of approximately 18,300 square feet. The Property was last used as a public school in approximately 1970, and has been used as an art center since the mid-1980s. The Tenant has occupied the Property pursuant to a lease agreement with the District since 1998.

I urge the Council to take prompt and favorable action on the proposed Act. If you have any questions, please contact Greer Johnson Gillis, Director of the Department of General Services, at (202) 727-2800.

Sincerely,

  
Muriel Bowser

Enclosures

  
Chairman Phil Mendelson  
at the request of the Mayor

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A RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to dispose of District-owned real property located at 3050 R Street, N.W. in Washington, D.C., known for tax and assessment purposes as Lot 0840 in Square 1282, and commonly known as the Jackson School.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Jackson School Disposition and Lease Approval Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2018”.

Sec. 2.(a) There exists an immediate need to dispose of District-owned real property located at 3050 R Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., more specifically designated for tax and assessment purposes as Lot 0840 in Square 1282 (the “Property”).

(b) The Property consists of land and improvements, including a former school building which is commonly known as the Jackson School.

(c) The District has not used the Property as a District of Columbia public school since at least 1979.

1 (d) The Property is surplus to the District's needs, and the proposed tenant is  
2 Jackson Art Center ("Lessee"). Lessee has occupied the Property pursuant to a lease with  
3 the District since 1998.

4 (e) This matter requires immediate action by the Council because Lessee's  
5 current lease expires on June 30, 2018, and Lessee requires time to negotiate a new lease  
6 agreement with the District prior to the expiration of the current lease.

7 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the  
8 circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it  
9 necessary that the "Jackson School Disposition and Lease Approval Emergency  
10 Declaration Resolution of 2018" be adopted after a single reading.

11 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.