



# MURIEL BOWSER MAYOR

DEC. 1 3 2018

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504 Washington, DC 20004

#### Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 4 of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act, effective October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-203), I am pleased to nominate the following person:

Ms. Kay Kendall 2412 Tracy Place NW Washington, DC 20008 (Ward 2)

for reappointment as a member of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities, to serve a term ending June 30, 2021.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of Ms. Kendall, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

Muriel Bowser

hairman Phil Mendelson at the request of the Mayor A PROPOSED RESOLUTION IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on To confirm the reappointment of Ms. Kay Kendall to the Commission on the Arts and Humanities. RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Commission on the Arts and Humanities Kay Kendall Confirmation Resolution of 2018". Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of: Ms. Kay Kendall 2412 Tracy Place NW Washington, DC 20008 (Ward 2) as a member of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities, established by section 4 of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act, effective October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-203), to serve a term ending June 30, 2021. Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor. 

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

### **Kay Kendali**

Kay Kendall has spent most of her nearly four decades in Washington as an involved citizen advocate for the arts. She was appointed by Mayor Bowser to be Chair of the District of Columbia Commission for Arts and Humanities, and she currently also serves on the Boards of CityDance, THEARC and the Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation.

Ms. Kendall was on the Board of The Washington Ballet for twenty-five years, serving as its Chair for eight years and as its interim executive director for over a year. Prior to her involvement with The Washington Ballet, Ms. Kendall served as President of the Board of Maret School for five years, Chair of Maret's Centennial, President of the Washington Chapter of Ashoka International for five years, and served on the boards of Horizons at Maret, The Kingsbury Center and the Ladies Board of Children's Hospital.

She founded KayKendall+Associates in 2008 to work as a consultant for arts and education non-profits. In that capacity she organized a benefit to celebrate THEARC and raised close to 5 million dollars for the resident partners, among other work.

A graduate of Hollins University with a BA in English, Ms. Kendall taught fifth grade and worked as a librarian in a public school in Orange, VA for a year while her then husband Syd Butler finished law school at the University of Virginia. She then worked for several years as a social worker in Memphis, Tennessee. In Memphis joined the Junior League, was President of Les Passees, a volunteer group that supported a hospital, and volunteered at Planned Parenthood.

Born and raised in Chattanooga, Tennessee, Kay Kendall moved to Washington DC in 1977 when her husband joined the Carter administration. Newly settled in DC, she volunteered at the Democratic National Committee and worked on the Carter-Mondale Re-election Committee.



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## Kay Kendall



Kay Kendall, is currently the Chair of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities.

Ms. Kendall brings more than four decades of arts, education and community outreach experience and leadership to the Commission. She was a 25-year board member of the Washington Ballet, including eight years as its chair, and is currently on the boards of CityDance and THEARC. As the founder of Kendall+Associates in 2008, she is a consultant on fundraising and non-profit board governance, helping community groups build leadership and organizational structure.

Before moving to Washington in 1977, Ms. Kendall taught fifth grade and worked as a librarian in a public school in Orange, VA and as a social worker in Memphis, TN. While in Memphis, Ms.

Kendall joined the Junior League and was the President of Les Passes, a volunteer group that supported a hospital, and volunteered at Planned Parenthood. Since returning to DC, she has continued her volunteer work with many organizations such as the Maret School, the Kingsbury Center, Ashoka International, and Children's Hospital.

A Ward 2 resident, Ms. Kendall obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Hollins University.



#### GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Lauren C. Vaughan, Steve Walker

From:

Betsy Cavendish

Date:

December 10, 2018

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Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Mayor's Order appointing Kymber Menkiti and

reappointing Kay Kendall and Gretchen Wharton as members of the Commission

on the Arts and Humanities.

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced Mayor's Order and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish