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Councilmember Trayon White, Sr.

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with evictions prohibition during a declared public health emergency and 60 days after the conclusion of the public health emergency.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Eviction Prohibition During Declared Public Health Crisis Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020”.

Sec. 2. (a) On March 11, 2020, the Mayor of the District of Columbia issued Mayor's 25 Order 2020-45 and 2020-46, declaring a public emergency and a public health emergency in the District due to the imminent threat to the health, safety, and welfare of District residents posed by the spread of COVID-19. That order is currently in effect through May 15, 2020.

(b) Residents will continue to be effected after the declared crisis and need time to recover. From March 13, 2020 to April 21, 2020, 81,942 people filed for unemployment. Many have reported difficulty completing the process. Although, financial help is available it may not be readily accessible and effecting residents’ ability to provide for their financial needs including rent.

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 D.C. Foreclosure Prohibition During Declared Public Health Crisis Emergency Act of 2020 to be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.