

A RESOLUTION

24-389

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

February 15, 2022

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to request the Mayor to submit a supplemental budget recommendation to the Council; and to declare the sense of the Council in support of using supplemental funds available from the Fiscal Year 2021 surplus or additional Fiscal Year 2022 revenues for certain urgent needs.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Fiscal Year 2022 Supplemental Budget Request Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. (a) Section 442(d) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 798; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.42(d)), requires the Mayor to submit a proposed supplemental budget recommendation to the Council upon the Council’s request by resolution.

(b) On December 30, 2021, the Chief Financial Officer published revised quarterly revenue estimates certifying an increase of local revenues of \$357.8 million in FY 2022.

(c) On February 1, 2022, the District’s Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FY 2021 certified an unrestricted and uncommitted General Fund surplus of \$566.4 million, which has been divided evenly between the Pay-As-You-Go Capital Fund and the Housing Production Trust Fund unless a future legislative act provides otherwise.

(d) The Mayor is currently developing the FY 2023 budget proposal, which is due to be submitted on March 16, 2022, and a supplemental budget recommendation for FY 2022 that is expected to be submitted at the same time.

(e) By identifying and communicating consensus-funding priorities now, the Council will provide input on the FY 2022 supplemental budget when it is most timely and constructive.

(f) Further, cooperation between the Mayor and Council may expand the range of options for effectively addressing critical challenges, such as by enabling the Mayor to allocate funds from the Contingency Cash Reserve that can later be repaid from the supplemental budget.

(g) A supplemental budget recommendation from the Mayor will be necessary to commit available financial resources to urgent funding needs identified by the Council, as more fully set forth in the Fiscal Year 2022 Supplemental Budget Request Emergency Resolution of 2022.

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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 Fiscal Year 2022 Supplemental Budget Request Emergency Resolution of 2022 be adopted on an emergency basis.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.