



MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

February 22, 2023

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:

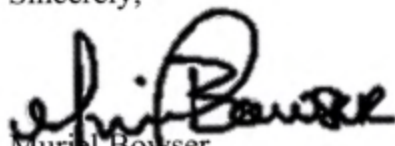
Enclosed for consideration and approval by the Council of the District of Columbia are the "Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Act of 2022", "Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022", "Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Emergency Act of 2022", and "Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Temporary Act of 2022". The bills will, on an emergency, temporary, and permanent basis, approve the opening of streets in Square S-5868, in Ward 8, and designate the opened streets as Cypress Street, S.E., Poplar Street, S.E., Sycamore Drive, S.E., and Oak Drive, S.E.

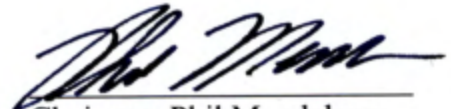
Council action on an emergency basis is necessary because new residents living adjacent to the streets cannot receive certain important public services until the streets are added to the public space and because some of the zoning approvals for buildings located adjacent to the streets require that the streets be made public before certificates of occupancy may be issued for the buildings.

As always, I am available to discuss any questions you may have regarding these bills. To facilitate a response to any questions, please have your staff contact District Department of Transportation Director Everett Lott at (202) 671-2317.

I urge the Council to take prompt and favorable action on the enclosed legislation.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser
Enclosures


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

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6 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION
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10 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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15 To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to approve the opening of
16 streets in Square S-5868, and to designate the opened streets as Cypress Street, S.E.,
17 Poplar Street, S.E., Sycamore Drive, S.E., and Oak Drive, S.E., in Ward 8.
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19 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
20 resolution may be cited as the "Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square
21 S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023".

22 Sec. 2. (a) The District has been engaged in a long-term process to transform the historic
23 East Campus of St. Elizabeths into a vibrant mixed-use neighborhood center.

24 (b) As part of that process, the District has constructed new streets on the campus, and
25 new residential buildings have been constructed on those streets.

26 (c) However, to date, the new streets have not been statutorily opened or designated.

27 (d) Because of the lack of the statutory opening and designation of the streets, certificates
28 of occupancy have not been able to be issued for certain buildings on those streets and certain
29 city services have been delayed.

30 (e) The statutory opening and designation of the streets will allow necessary certificates
31 of occupancy to be issued and for important city services to be provided.

32 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
33 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the
34 Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486,
35 Emergency Act of 2022 be adopted after a single reading.

36 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL



ATTORNEY GENERAL
KARL A. RACINE



Legal Counsel Division

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bryan Hum
Interim Director
Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs

FROM: Brian K. Flowers
Deputy Attorney General
Legal Counsel Division

DATE: September 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Legal Sufficiency Review of Draft Bill, the "Opening of Streets and Designation of Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Act of 2022", Emergency and Temporary Versions, and Accompanying Emergency Declaration Resolution (AE-22-543)

This is to Certify that this Office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and has found it to be legally sufficient. If you have any questions regarding this certification, please do not hesitate to contact me at 724-5524.

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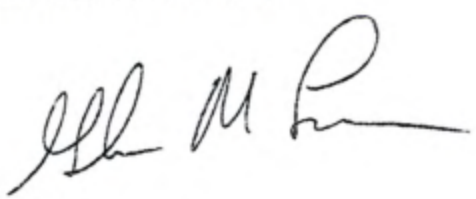
Government of the District of Columbia
Office of the Chief Financial Officer



Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: November 4, 2022

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Opening of Streets and Designation of
Opened Streets in Square S-5868, S.O. 22-01486, Emergency Act of
2022

REFERENCE: Draft bill as provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on August 30,
2022

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2026 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill approves the opening of new streets on the campus of the former St. Elizabeth's¹, in Ward 8, and designates the new streets as Cypress Street, S.E., Poplar Street, S.E., Sycamore Drive, S.E., and Oak Drive, S.E. Designation of the streets will allow residents in the lots adjacent to the streets to receive District services.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2026 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The District Department of Transportation can absorb the cost of the new streets into its maintenance portfolio, and the Department of Public Works can absorb the cost of providing its standard array of resident services (i.e. trash, recycling) for the homes on the new street.

¹ The new streets will be located in square S-5868, as shown on the Surveyor's plats filed under S.O. File 22-01486.