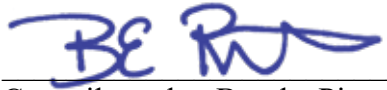


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9 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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13 To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Business
14 Improvement Districts Act of 1996 to revise the tax rates of assessment for property
15 owners in and to revise the residential tax rate for residential members of the Golden
16 Triangle Business Improvement District.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
19 act may be cited as the “Golden Triangle Business Improvement District Emergency Declaration
20 Resolution of 2023”.

21 Sec. 2. (a) Section 202(c)(2) of the Business Improvement Districts Act of 1996, effective March
22 17, 2005 (D.C. Law 15-257; D.C. Official Code § 2-1215.52(c)(2)), established the Golden
23 Triangle Business Improvement District.

24 (b) The Golden Triangle Business Improvement District (“BID”) is a nonprofit
25 501(c)(6) corporation, established 25 years ago, to provide a safe and vibrant environment for
26 residents, businesses, and visitors in the Golden Triangle area.

27 (c) The Golden Triangle BID maintains clean and safe streets in its neighborhood,
28 supports local businesses, develops, and implements sustainable solutions for public spaces,
29 provides emergency preparedness planning, creates platforms for local artists, and more.

30 (d) Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the BID
31 targeted and focused its resources toward response and recovery in order to provide support for
32 residents and local businesses.

33 (e) While this support remains a priority for the BID, it must now refocus its efforts

34 to help rebuild and reimagine the downtown area. To achieve these goals, such as attracting
35 office and retail tenants, improving Farragut Square, and transforming Pennsylvania Avenue,
36 the BID Board of Directors has approved a two-cent increase to its rates.

37 (f) To apply the two-cent increase, the Office of Tax and Revenue requires that
38 the BID provide its tax roll information in July 2023 so that taxes may be imposed in August
39 2023 and accordingly be paid in September 2023. Consequently, it is necessary that the Council
40 act on an emergency basis to renew the BID's charter so it may implement the tax rate increase
41 for the upcoming tax cycle.

42 (g) The legislation will have no fiscal impact because the Golden Triangle BID
43 will assess and prepare the tax roll for the Office of Tax and Revenue to timely issue taxes in
44 accordance with its schedule.

45 (h) A hearing was held on Bill 25-136, the permanent legislation, on Thursday,
46 June 8, 2023, by the Committee of Business and Economic Development, which plans to move
47 the permanent legislation in the near future.

48 Sec. 3. The Council determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute
49 emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Golden Triangle Business Improvement
50 District Emergency Amendment Act of 2023 be adopted after a single reading.

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

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