



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

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### RE: Neon Lights in Windows in the Georgetown Historic District

Dear Director Chrappah and Mr. Maloney,

On October 4, 2021 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by six commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0) with regard to the above-referenced matter:

ANC 2E has been frustrated by the proliferation of neon lights in windows of businesses within the Georgetown Historic District. Per Historic Preservation Office (HPO) sign guidelines as well as Old Georgetown Board (OGB) design guidelines for commercial signage, neon signs are not appropriate in the historic district. ANC 2E calls upon the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) and HPO to vigorously enforce these guidelines immediately.

Commissioners Lisa Palmer ([2E05@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2E05@anc.dc.gov)) and Rick Murphy ([2E03@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2E03@anc.dc.gov)) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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