

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7B

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September 19, 2024

Director Clint Osborn
Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency
Mayor's Special Events Task Group
2720 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20032

Dear Director Osborn,

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7B wishes to convey our unequivocal support for the proposed Juneteenth Parade on Pennsylvania Avenue, SE. The Commission firmly believes that this event would be a significant addition to the city and a meaningful way to honor Juneteenth, a day commemorating the emancipation of enslaved Black Americans and celebrating freedom, resilience, and progress in American history.

As Juneteenth is commemorated nationwide, ANC 7B is eager to see our city join in this important celebration by hosting a parade in our community. Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, with its active local businesses and diverse population, would serve as a perfect setting for this event. A Juneteenth Parade would not only spotlight the rich heritage of our area but also draw visitors from across Washington, D.C., offering a great chance to foster community connections and boost the local economy.

This parade would provide a meaningful opportunity for Ward 7 residents to honor their heritage while inviting people from all over the city to learn about the significance of Juneteenth. Moreover, it would build a sense of unity and pride among neighbors, strengthening the ties within our community.

ANC 7B strongly supports the Juneteenth Parade Planning Committee in its efforts to make this vision a reality. We are confident that this event will serve as an enriching experience for all participants and attendees.

This letter was voted on by the ANC 7B on September 18, 2024 with a quorum present and was passed by a voice vote.

Sincerely,

Commissioner John F. Adams (7B01)*
Commissioner Jamaal Maurice Pearsall (7B02)*
Commissioner Travis R. Swanson (7B03)*
Commissioner D.L. Humphrey (7B04)*

Commissioner Donna Robinson (7B05)
Commissioner Kelvin E. Brown (7B06)*
Commissioner Lisa D. T. Rice (7B07)*
Commissioner Kelly Taylor (7B08)*
Commissioner Michelle Hammond (7B09)

*Denotes SMD includes a portion of Pennsylvania Avenue, SE



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