



## Fairlawn Citizens Association, Inc.

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Mr. Clinton Osborn  
Interim Dir. Emergency Management Agency  
D. C. Mayor's Special Events Task Group  
2720 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, SE, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
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Re: Letter of Support for 2023 Ward 7 Juneteenth Parade

Dear Mr. Osborn,

The Fairlawn Citizens Association supports approval of a Juneteenth Parade along the Pennsylvania Avenue East Corridor. With over 100 dues paying members, boundaries overlapping Wards 7 and 8, and a founding member of the Pennsylvania Avenue East Community Coalition (PAECC), the Fairlawn Citizens Association is elated over the prospect of a Juneteenth Parade along the Pennsylvania Avenue East Corridor.

Juneteenth commemorates the third and final emancipation of African Americans from human bondage in the United States of America and our continuous struggle to create a more perfect union, and to have our nation live up to its solemn creed found in our Declaration of Independence, that all men are created equal and are endowed with certain unalienable rights, including pursuit of life, liberty, and happiness. And we trust that this event will help build and reinforce a sense of community and provide stimulus for economic development along this often overlooked and under-served portion of one of America's Great Streets and a designated DC Main Street.

We thank you in advance for your support of this first-ever Ward 7 Juneteenth Parade along the Pennsylvania Avenue East Corridor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Graylin W. Presbury". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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