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 Councilmember Trayon White Chairman Phil Mendelson

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to officially designating the school in Lot 822 in Square 5561, bounded by Nicholson Street, S.E., Prout Street, S.E., 22nd Street, S.E., and Minnesota Avenue, S.E., in Ward 8, as Lawrence E. Boone Elementary School.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Lawrence E. Boone Elementary School Designation Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2018”.

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to name the school in Lot 822 in Square 5561, bounded by Nicholson Street, S.E., Prout Street, S.E., 22nd Street, S.E., and Minnesota Avenue, S.E.

(b) After collaborating with students, parents, and community members, the District of Columbia Public Schools found it fitting to re-designate Orr Elementary School as Lawrence E. Boone Elementary School.

(c) The new designation will honor the late Mr. Lawrence E. Boone who served as principal to Orr Elementary School for 23 years and was a pillar in the Anacostia Community.

(d) The new Lawrence E. Boone Elementary School is currently under construction and on schedule to open in August 2018.

 (e) Bill 22-538, the “Lawrence E. Boone Designation Act of 2018” is currently under review by the Council. However, in order to guarantee that the school signage will be installed before the school opens in August 2018, it is necessary to re-designate the school as soon as possible.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia finds that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the “Lawrence E. Boone Elementary School Designation Emergency Act” be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.