



*Board of Trustees*

November 15, 2018

The Honorable Phil Mendelson, Chairman  
Council of the District of Columbia  
Committee of the Whole  
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 504  
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with the provisions of D.C. Official Code §1-204.51(c)(3), I am forwarding to you a negotiated First Amendment to the Employment Agreement between Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia and Mr. Ronald F. Mason, Jr, which modifies certain terms and conditions of the existing employment agreement, including extending the term of Mr. Mason's appointment as President through June 30, 2023.

An Emergency Declaration entitled "First Amendment to Employment Agreement of Mr. Ronald F. Mason, Jr., as President of the University of the District of Columbia Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2018" and an Emergency Act entitled "First Amendment to Employment Agreement of Mr. Ronald F. Mason, Jr. as President of the University of the District of Columbia Emergency Act of 2018" are attached for consideration and enactment by the Council of the District of Columbia.

This emergency legislation will authorize the modification of certain terms and conditions of the employment agreement with the President of the University of the District of Columbia, from an effective date of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023. The approval of this emergency legislation will ensure continuity, responsible governance, and a strong students-first focus as we continue to implement our Equity Imperative strategic plan.

Also attached are: (1) the September 26, 2018 UDC Resolution No. 2018-28; (2) a Fiscal Impact Statement from the University's Chief Financial Officer; (3) a Legal Sufficiency Statement and (4) a copy of the First Amendment to the Employment Agreement.

I respectfully request the Council's favorable consideration of the enclosed legislation on an emergency basis. Should you have any questions, please contact Thomas E. Redmond, Director, State and Local Affairs, Office of Government Relations at (202) 274-5622.

Sincerely,

*Christopher D. Bell*

Christopher Bell  
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Enclosures