



Bill 23-817, UDC Board of Trustees Term Limit Amendment Act of 2020

Testimony of

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Good morning Chairman Mendelson, members of the Council, staff, and the public. I am Troy LeMaile-Stovall, Chief Operating Officer for the University of the District of Columbia (UDC). I am pleased to testify before you today on Bill 23-817, the UDC Board of Trustees Term Limit Amendment Act of 2020.

Bill 23-817 rewrites sections of the law to provide some much-needed clarity regarding UDC Board of Trustees (BOT) service, including the start and end date of terms. Most importantly, the bill makes it clear that appointed Trustees can serve three partial or full terms consecutively, with a maximum of 15 consecutive years. This provision is extremely helpful as for many years the number of terms members served was heavily debated based upon whether a trustee began service at the beginning of a term or completed part of term previously vacated by another member. This bill ensures that highly effective BOT members can continue to serve without interruption.

We would like to thank you for introducing this bill, moving it forward, and the opportunity to testify. We fully support it and appreciate your continued support of UDC. I am happy to answer any questions you or any other Committee members may have.