Chairman Phil Mendelson A PROPOSED RESOLUTION IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA To declare the existence of an emergency, with respect to the need to extend the Mayor's authority to declare a public emergency. RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Public Emergency Extension Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021." Sec. 2. (a) On March 11, 2020, the Mayor of the District of Columbia issued Mayor's Order 2020-45, declaring a public emergency in the District due to the imminent threat to the health, safety, and welfare of District residents posed by the spread of COVID-19. Additional orders have since been issued. To protect public the Mayor must continue the public emergency. (b) The Mayor's current authority to maintain the public emergency expires on January 7, 2021. To continue to limit the spread of COVID-19, it is necessary to extend the Mayor's authority until March 17, 2022. Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances, making it necessary that the Public Emergency Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2021 be adopted after a single reading. Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.