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9 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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14 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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21 To declare the existence of an emergency due to congressional review, with respect to the need
22 to amend the Historic Landmark and Historic District Protection Act of 1978 to make
23 certain multifamily residential structures eligible for historic homeowner grants.
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26 RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
27 resolution may be cited as the “Targeted Historic Preservation Assistance Emergency
28 Declaration Resolution of 2022.”

29 Sec. 2. (a) A subtitle was included in the Mayor’s proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget
30 Support Act of 2021 that would have expanded eligibility for the Historic Homeowner Grant
31 Program to multifamily buildings. The Committee of the Whole recommended that subtitle be
32 struck to have the benefit of a hearing before moving forward with permanent legislation.

33 (b) The impetus for the subtitle was apparently an immediate need for an historic
34 common interest community located in the Meridian Hill and Mount Pleasant Historic Districts.

35 (c) The multifamily property has historic features that are in immediate need of repair
36 because historically significant elements of the outside of the building are deteriorating and the
37 common interest community owners cannot afford the needed repairs.

38 (d) Without this legislation, the Historic Preservation Office may need to approve the
39 removal of the deteriorating exterior features, which would have a negative impact on historic
40 preservation.

41 (e) Another round of emergency and temporary is necessary due to unforeseen delays in
42 applications for the common interest community.

43 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances in
44 section 2 constitute emergency circumstances, making it necessary that the Targeted Historic
45 Preservation Assistance Emergency Amendment Act of 2022 be adopted after a single reading.

46 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.