COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

MEMORANDUM

TO: Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

FROM: Phil Mendelson, Chairman

DATE: June 14, 2023

RE: Request to Agendize for the June 20, 2023 Legislative Meeting

This memorandum is to request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the June 20, 2023 Legislative Meeting:

- Howard East Towers Alley Closing and Street Dedication Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023
- Howard East Towers Alley Closing and Street Dedication Emergency Act of 2023

This legislation orders the closing of an alley in Square 2873 abutting Lots 1106 and 1112 in Ward 1, establishing a 25-foot-wide building restriction line on the closed alley area, and dedicating a portion of Lot 1112 for public street purposes on an emergency basis. The purpose of the alley closure and dedication is to facilitate the construction of a mixed-use development with approximately 500 multifamily units and over 17,000 square feet of retail space.

Permanent legislation (Bill 25-146) ordering the closure and dedication of land for public street purposes was unanimously approved by the Council on second reading on June 6, 2023. Enacting the legislation sooner than the congressional review period for the permanent legislation will enable the project to proceed without risk of further delay.

The draft measures are attached. Please call me or Blaine Stum if you have any questions at (202) 724-8092.

cc: All Councilmembers Council Officers