

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
COMMITTEE REPORT**

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

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TO: All Councilmembers

FROM: Chairman Phil Mendelson
Committee of the Whole

DATE: September 19, 2023

SUBJECT: Report on Bill 25-172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023”

The Committee of the Whole, to which Bill 25-172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023” was referred, reports favorably thereon with technical amendments and recommends approval by the Council.

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I. BACKGROUND AND NEED

On February 28, 2023, Bill 25-172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023” was introduced by Councilmember Zachary Parker. This bill would symbolically designate Randolph Street, N.E. between 19th Street, N.E. and 24th Street, N.E. as William R. Spaulding Way. The location is in Ward 5. A symbolic naming is for ceremonial purposes and shall be in addition to and subordinate to any name that is an official name.

William Ridley Spaulding was born on June 15, 1924 in North Carolina. He later moved to the District in the 1940s to attend Howard University, graduating in 1947 with a degree in mechanical engineering. He then worked as a teacher with D.C. Public Schools from 1947 to 1952. He was on the faculty of Howard University from 1950 to 1960, while he also served as an engineer at the National Security Agency (NSA) until 1974. In 1955, Mr. Spaulding married Dolores Hinton, a music education student at the university. They went on to have three children – Deirdre, Michele, and Angelyn.

Mr. Spaulding left the NSA after passage of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act in 1974 to run for a seat on the newly created Council of the District of Columbia. He won election to be the first Ward 5 Councilmember, taking office in 1975 and served for three terms. Councilmember Spaulding was responsible for drafting legislation that reorganized postsecondary education in the District leading to the creation of the University of the District of Columbia as a land-grant university. In 1980, Mr. Spaulding became an instructor at the university.

After leaving the Council, Mr. Spaulding continued his government service working as Director of the Department of Administrative Services for the District of Columbia Courts. Mr. Spaulding also served in a number of civic leadership positions including President of the John Burroughs School Parent Teacher Association; President of the Area 3A Council of the Parent Teacher Association; Vice-President of the D.C. Congress of Parent-Teacher Associations; President of the Woodridge Civic Association; Financial Secretary for the D.C. Federation of Civic Associations; Advisor for the College Achievement Module program at the District of Columbia Teacher's College; Secretary of the Fort Lincoln Advisory Committee; and Chair of the Fort Lincoln Foundation. He also served on the boards of the Kidney Foundation, the American Heart Association, the Saturday College, and the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital.

Mr. Spaulding lived on Randolph Street along the portion to be designated under this bill during his time in the District. Mr. Spaulding passed away on November 1, 2021 at the age of 97.

Legal Background

The Street and Alley Closing and Acquisition Procedures Act of 1982, effective March 10, 1983 (D.C. Law 4-201; D.C. Official Code § 9-204.01 *et seq.*) (“Act”) establishes procedures for closing streets and alleys, opening new streets and alleys, naming public spaces, and other procedures related to streets and alleys. The Act authorizes the Council to symbolically or officially designate or change the name of any public space in the District of Columbia, including streets and alleys.¹ In October 2016, the Act was amended to create a clear distinction between official and symbolic street and alley namings and to establish distinct processes and requirements for each type of naming.²

An “official name” refers to the legal designation of an alley or a street for mailing address and other purposes,³ whereas a “symbolic name” for a street or alley shall be in addition to and subordinate to any name that is an official name.⁴ An official name of an alley shall contain the suffix “Alley” or “Court.”⁵ A symbolic name of a street or alley shall contain the suffix “Way” or “Plaza.”⁶ As established by Bill 25-172, “William R. Spaulding Way” is a symbolic designation of Randolph Street, N.E. between 19th Street, N.E. and 24th Street, N.E.

¹ See D.C. Official Code § 9-204.01 *et seq.*

² See D.C. Law 21-0161, effective from Oct. 8, 2016, Published in the *DC Register* Vol 63 and Page 12933.

³ D.C. Official Code § 9-201.01(5A).

⁴ D.C. Official Code § 9-204.03a(a).

⁵ D.C. Official Code § 9-204.03(c).

⁶ D.C. Official Code § 9-204.03a(c).

The Act also establishes a notice requirement for symbolic designations. Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 9-204.23(b), the ANC in which the symbolic designation is located must be put on notice of the public hearing regarding the proposed naming.

After the symbolic street or alley designation legislation becomes law and all conditions required by the Council and the Act have been satisfied, the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) shall install signage indicating the symbolic name of the alley or street, or portion thereof. Such signage shall be uniform and distinct from signs for official names.⁷

Symbolically designating the street where he used to reside is a fitting tribute to William R. Spaulding and his long service to the Ward 5 both on and off of the Council. Thus, the Committee of the Whole recommends Council approval of Bill 25-172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023.”

II. LEGISLATIVE CHRONOLOGY

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| February 28, 2023 | Bill 25-172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023” is introduced by Councilmember Zachary Parker. |
| March 7, 2023 | Bill 25-172 is officially read at a Legislative Meeting and the referral to the Committee of the Whole is official. |
| March 10, 2023 | Notice of Intent to Act on Bill 25-172 is published in the <i>DC Register</i> . |
| June 23, 2023 | Notice of a public hearing on Bill 25-172 is published in the <i>DC Register</i> . |
| July 13, 2023 | The Committee of the Whole holds a hearing on Bill 25-172. |
| September 19, 2023 | The Committee of the Whole marks up Bill 25-172. |

III. POSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE

Brant Miller, Interim Manager, Policy and Legislative Affairs Division, District Department of Transportation, testified on behalf of the Executive that it had “no objection” to the symbolic street naming of a portion of Randolph Street, N.E. after William R. Spaulding. His testimony is attached.

IV. COMMENTS OF ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONS

The Committee received no testimony or comments from any Advisory Neighborhood Commission.

⁷ D.C. Official Code § 9-204.24(d).

V. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY

The Committee of the Whole held a public hearing on several bills, including Bill 25-172 on Thursday, July 13, 2023. The testimony summarized below pertains Bill 25-172.

Harry Thomas, Jr., Public Witness, testified in support of the designation and spoke to Mr. Spaulding's legacy in Ward 5. He spoke about Mr. Spaulding's prominent place in his own life as a mentor and a role model to him and the community.

Dierdre Spaulding-Yeoman, Daughter of William Spaulding, testified in support of the designation and spoke of Mr. Spaulding's work on the Council including reorganization of the District and other legislative accomplishments, and his broad engagement and work in the community.

Emanuel Yeoman, Son-in-law of William Spaulding, testified in support of the designation and shared his memories of Councilmember Spaulding interacting with himself and other youth in the community, encouraging them to stay in school and engage with their community.

Romeo Spaulding, Cousin of William Spaulding, testified in support of the designation and discussed growing up with Mr. Spaulding and his subsequent contributions to the residents of the District.

Brant Miller, Interim Manager, Policy and Legislative Affairs Division, District Department of Transportation, testified on behalf of the Executive that it had "no objection" to the designation.

The Committee received no testimony or comments in opposition to Bill 25-172.

VI. IMPACT ON EXISTING LAW

Bill 25-172 has no impact on existing law. D.C. Official Code § 9-204.01⁸ authorizes the Council to name any public space. D.C. Official Code § 9-204.03(a) authorizes the Council to designate a symbolic name for an alley "that shall be in addition to and subordinate to any name that is an official name."⁹ Bill 25-172 symbolically designates Randolph Street, N.E. between 19th Street, N.E. and 24th Street, N.E. as William R. Spaulding Way. Additionally, "a symbolic name of a street or alley shall contain only the suffix Way or Plaza," such as proposed by Bill 25-172.¹⁰ Lastly, the Act provides that, with limited exception, no public space shall be named in honor of any living person or in honor of any person who has been deceased less than two years.¹¹ Mr. Spaulding passed away on November 1, 2021, however as a former Councilmember, the designation qualifies as exempt from the two year requirement.

⁸ Street and Alley Closing and Acquisition Procedures Act of 1982, effective March 10, 1983 (D.C. Law 4-201).

⁹ D.C. Code § 9-204.03(a).

¹⁰ D.C. Code § 9-204.03(c).

¹¹ See D.C. Code § 9-204.05.

VII. FISCAL IMPACT

According to the September X, 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement of the Chief Financial Officer, funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2023 through fiscal year 2026 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. Because the cost to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is estimated at \$1,330 (\$65 per sign for fabrication and \$125 for installation for four signs), the cost of Bill 25-172 can be absorbed.

VIII. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS

<u>Section 1</u>	States the short title of Bill 25-172.
<u>Section 2</u>	Symbolically designates Randolph Street, N.E. between 19th Street, N.E. and 24th Street, N.E. as William R. Spaulding Way.
<u>Section 3</u>	Adopts the Fiscal Impact Statement.
<u>Section 4</u>	Establishes the effective date by stating the standard 30-day congressional review language.

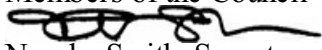
IX. COMMITTEE ACTION

X. ATTACHMENTS

1. Bill 25-172 as introduced.
2. Testimony for Bill 25-172.
3. Map of Proposed Designation.
4. Fiscal Impact Statement for Bill 25-172.
5. Legal Sufficiency Determination for Bill 25-172.
6. Committee Print for Bill 25-172.

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20004

Memorandum

To : Members of the Council
From :  Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council
Date : Monday, March 6, 2023
Subject : Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Office of the Secretary on Tuesday, February 28, 2023. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023", B25-0172

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Parker

The Chairman is referring this legislation to Committee of the Whole.

Attachment
cc: General Counsel
Budget Director
Legislative Services



COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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ZACHARY PARKER
COUNCILMEMBER, WARD 5

COMMITTEE MEMBER
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Health
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Housing
Transportation and the Environment

February 28, 2023

Nyasha Smith, Secretary
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 2004

Dear Secretary Smith,

Today, I am introducing the **William R. Spauling Way Designation Act of 2023**. Please find enclosed a signed copy of the legislation. This bill will symbolically designate the 1900 to 2200 blocks of Randolph Street NE in Ward 5 in honor of William R. Spaulding, who has the distinguished honor of serving as the District's first Ward 5 Councilmember after the restoration of limited Home Rule in the District of Columbia.

A native of Hillsboro, North Carolina, William R. Spaulding, moved to the District in 1940 to attend Howard University's School of Engineering and Architecture. He would later go on to serve as an educator at DC Public Schools from 1947 to 1952 and then at Howard University from 1950 to 1960. William R. Spaulding is credited with authoring the legislation consolidating the DC Teachers College, Federal City College, and Washington Technical Institute into one entity – the University of the District of Columbia.

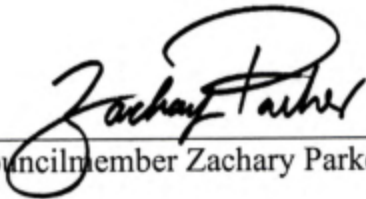
A 1996 Council resolution proclaims that William R. Spaulding exemplified the epitome of what every neighbor should strive to emulate in recognition of his many years of service to the District of Columbia, most notably as Ward 5's first Councilmember. For a portion of his life, William R. Spaulding was a proud resident of the Woodridge community in Ward 5 and lived on the street which the bill seeks to symbolically designate.

As the current Ward 5 Councilmember and a former educator, it is my honor to submit this bill in an effort to help preserve the District's history and acknowledge the contributions of notable residents such William R. Spaulding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Zachary Parker".

Zachary Parker
Ward 5 Councilmember


Councilmember Zachary Parker

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To symbolically designate the 1900 through 2200 Blocks of Randolph Street, N.E., in Ward 5, as William R. Spaulding Way.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023”.

Sec. 2. Pursuant to sections 401, 403a, and 423 of the Street and Alley Closing and Acquisition Procedures Act of 1982, effective March 10, 1983 (D.C. Law 4-201; D.C. Official Code §§ 9-204.01, 9-204.03a, and 9-204.23), the Council symbolically designates the 1900-2200 Blocks of Randolph Street, N.E., in Ward 5, as “William R. Spaulding Way.”.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

Sec. 4. Effective date.

This act shall take effect after approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Testimony in support of DC Council Bill 25-172, the William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023, to symbolically designate 1900 to 2400 Randolph Street as William R. Spaulding Way - Submitted on July 13, 2023, by Deirdre W. Spaulding-Yeoman, DSc.

William R. Spaulding, a gentleman and scholar, a man ahead of his time! The Honorable Dr. William R. Spaulding served as the District's first Ward 5 Councilmember, serving three terms. A native of Hallsboro, North Carolina, William grew up working on the family farm. His parents imbued him with a strong sense of responsibility towards others. Moving to DC in the 1940's to attend Howard University, William graduated with honors in 1947 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. In 1959 Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding purchased a home on Randolph Street. The couple worked together on many projects for example, they produced and directed the Mahalia Jackson show on WOOK-TV, which at the time was the only Black television station in Washington, D.C. William's commitment to investing in people was illustrated in service as a member of the Fort Lincoln New Town Advisory Committee designed to oversee the development of a planned community in the DC. It was at his suggestion that housing for senior citizens was included.

In 1974 Mr. Spaulding was elected to represent Ward 5. During his first term, he was appointed as the sole member of the Council's Committee on Higher Education. That Committee was charged with complying with Congressional directives to create a comprehensive system of higher education for the residents of DC. Within one, year, despite, significant opposition from other institutions in the District of Columbia, Councilmember Spaulding was successful in crafting and shepherding through the Council, D.C. Law 1-36, also known as the University of the District of Columbia's Enabling Legislation. This piece of legislation consolidated the separate predecessor institutions; to, for the first time, create a comprehensive system of public higher education for all residents of the District of Columbia. An unintended side-effect of D.C. Law 1-36, has been its successful use in Court cases as precedent for the Council's ability to amend Congressional legislation pertaining to the District of Columbia.

Councilman Spaulding was the first councilmember to introduce computers into his office. During his three terms on the Council, William Spaulding served on a variety Committees, subsequently chairing the Committee on Education, and then the Committee on Government Operations. His legislative portfolio was diverse and included: preventing a household's water from being cut off while the bill was being disputed; occupational health and safety; protection for victims of motor vehicle accidents; full political participation, repeal of the death penalty; improving the management of the DC government; and reforming the merit personnel and the procurement systems of the District of Columbia.

Councilman Spaulding worked tirelessly to help individuals reach their fullest capacity. He initiated and implemented a program to bring high school and college interns into his council office, later expanding this program to include returning citizens. As a big believer in the value of the arts, Councilman Spaulding began D.C. Metro Talent Search.

After retiring from the City Council in 1987, Mr. Spaulding taught mathematics as an adjunct professor at UDC and continued his involvement with an array of community, faith-based, and educational organizations. William received numerous awards and accolades one of which was

from the Court Services & Offender Supervision Agency. Organizational involvement included: Membership in Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated, member of the board of directors of IDEA Public Charter School, member of the board of directors of the Benjamin and Edith Spaulding Descendants Association/Foundation.

In 2014 William R. Spaulding became the recipient of the Doctor of Humane Letters from the University of the District of Columbia.

A gentleman and scholar, a man ahead of his time!

Today, let's move forward with William R. Spaulding Way!

Question asked by Councilman Mendelson: Why four blocks designated when it is usually one?

Response: The breadth and depth of the contributions made by Councilman Spaulding exceed the usual and thus four blocks are appropriate. Additionally, this is what the neighboring constituents want to happen in their neighborhood.

**Testimony in support of Bill 25-172, William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023 to symbolically designate Randolph Street, N.E. between 19th Street, N.E. and 24th Street, N.E. as “William R. Spaulding Way.” – Submitted on July 13, 2023,
From Dr. Emanuel Yeoman, July 13, 2023**

I am Dr. Emanuel Yeoman because of the Honorable Dr. William Ridley Spaulding. Councilman Spaulding did a lot for everyone in Ward 5 and DC. I recall the many things he did for children, youth, adults, and seniors of Ward 5 and DC. One memory is from the day a bunch of us kids were playing football on an open bumpy field. Councilman Spaulding saw us and parked his car and walked over and talked to us. He talked about the importance of education and staying in school. He asked if we wanted a recreation facility built in our neighborhood where we could have sports and learning activities. Of course, we said yes, and the next thing you knew we had a recreation center in our neighborhood. Out of the 33 kids that were listening to him that day, one hundred percent of them earned bachelor’s degree and became outstanding citizens in the community. Harry Thomas Jr. was one of the kids playing football that day.

In a March 1987 article from a Washington newspaper, appreciation for Councilman Spaulding’s hard work was expressed. He was noted for his quiet, low-key method of getting things done, and being a person who was always willing "to tackle the technical issues facing the council, no matter how tedious or time-consuming. He "was not a screamer or a yeller" but "spent his time trying to make things better for the community.” Councilman Spaulding was credited for his work as government operations chairman with improving the city's ability to conduct elections. Also, as a result of Councilman Spaulding’s work on procurement issues, "minorities will have a fair share of contracts in this city." Councilman Spaulding was praised as being instrumental in raising the political consciousness of property owners in Ward 5. Councilman Spaulding "was always willing to help the less fortunate."

There are many quotations from famous men who reflect William R. Spaulding.

I selected the following. “A gentleman is one who puts more into the world than he takes out.” — from distant cousin George Bernard Shaw. “Being a good man means having the courage to stand up for what you believe in, even if it means standing alone.” - from Martin Luther King Jr. “The greatness of a man is not in how much wealth he acquires, but in his integrity and his ability to affect those around him positively.” — from Bob Marley.

This concludes my testimony in support of Bill 25-172, William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023. Thank you.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
District Department of Transportation



Public Hearing on
B25-0171, the “Alexander Crummell Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0173, the “Sterling A. Brown Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0174, the “Rayford Logan Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0175, the “John Mercer Langston Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0176, the “Edna Brown Coleman Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0177, the “Julius Hobson Sr. Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0178, the “Dorothy Celeste Boulding Ferebee Way Act of 2023”
B25-0193, the “Jeanette A. Michael Way Designation Act of 2023”
B25-0235, the “Catlett Alley Designation Act of 2023”
B25-246, the “Amigos Park Designation Act of 2023”
B25-316, the “Gordon Way Designation Act of 2023”

Testimony of
Brant Miller
Interim Manager, Policy and Legislative Affairs Division
District Department of Transportation

Before the
Committee of the Whole
Council of the District of Columbia

Thursday, July 13, 2023
11:30 a.m.
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

Good morning, Chairman Mendelson, members of the Council, staff, and District residents. My name is Brant Miller, Interim Manager of the Policy and Legislative Affairs Division at the District Department of Transportation, commonly referred to as DDOT. I am here today to present testimony on behalf of Mayor Muriel Bowser and DDOT Director Everett Lott regarding the following ten symbolic street renaming bills, one official street naming bill and a bill officially naming an area of the public right-of-way:

- B25-0171, the “Alexander Crummell Way Designation Act of 2023”
- B25-0172, the “William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023”
- B25-0173, the “Sterling A. Brown Way Designation Act of 2023”
- B25-0174, the “Rayford Logan Way Designation Act of 2023”
- B25-0175, the “John Mercer Langston Way Designation Act of 2023”
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- B25-0235, “Catlett Alley Designation Act of 2023”
- B25-246, “Amigos Park Designation Act of 2023”
- B25-316, “Gordon Way Designation Act of 2023”

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-171** is to *symbolically* designate the 1900 Block of Gallaudet Street, N.E., in Ward 5, as *Alexander Crummell Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 1900 block of Gallaudet Street, N.E. In fiscal terms, the cost of each installed sign for this designation is approximately \$190

(\$65 for sign fabrication and \$125 for sign installation). Sufficient signage requires two total signs, totaling \$380.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-172** is to *symbolically* designate the 1900 though 2200 Blocks of Randolph Street, N.E. in Ward 5 as *William R. Spaulding Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 1900 though 2200 blocks of Randolph Street, N.E. Sufficient signage requires seven total signs, totaling \$1,330.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-173** is to *symbolically* designate the 1200 Block of Kearny Street N.E. in Ward 5 as *Sterling A. Brown Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 1200 block of Kearny Street, N.E. Sufficient signage requires two total signs, totaling \$380.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-174** is to *symbolically* designate the 100 Block of N Street, N.W., in Ward 5, as *Rayford Logan Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 100 block of N Street, N.W. Sufficient signage requires two total signs, totaling \$380.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-175** is to *symbolically* designate the 800 Block of 26th Street, N.E., in Ward 5, as *John Mercer Langston Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map

highlighting the 800 block of 26th Street, N.E. Sufficient signage requires two total signs, totaling \$380.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-176** is to *symbolically* designate the 1400 Block of Morse Street, N.E., in Ward 5, as *Edna Brown Coleman Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 1400 block of Morse Street, N.E. Sufficient signage requires two total signs, totaling \$380.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-177** is to *symbolically* designate the 4600 through 4800 Blocks of Queens Chapel Terrace Road, N.E., in Ward 5, as *Julius Hobson Sr. Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 4600 through 4800 blocks of Queens Chapel Terrace Road, N.E. Sufficient signage requires six total signs, totaling \$1,140.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-178** is to *symbolically* designate the 1800 Block of 2nd Street, N.W., in Ward 5, as *Dorothy Celeste Boulding Ferebee Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 1800 block of 2nd Street, N.W. Sufficient signage requires two total signs, totaling \$380

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-193** is to *symbolically* designate the 1900 through 2200 Blocks of G Street, N.W., in Ward 2, as *Jeanette A. Michael Way*. For

visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the 1900 through 2200 Blocks of G Street, N.W.

Sufficient signage requires eight total signs, totaling \$1,520.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-235** is to *officially* designate the public alley system within Square 3015, bounded by Georgia Ave, N.W., Crittenden Street N.W., 9th Street, N.W., and Buchanan Street, N.W., in Ward 4, as *Catlett Alley N.W.* For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of the plat of the designated alley system. In fiscal terms, the cost of each installed pole is \$270. Sufficient signage requires four total signs and four poles, totaling \$1,840.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-246** is to designate the public right-of-way abutting Square 2596, Lot 1057, at the northwest corner of Mount Pleasant Street, N.W., and Kenyon Street, N.W., as *Amigos Park*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of the plat of the designated public right-of-way.

The stated purpose of **Bill 25-316** is to *symbolically* designate the public alley system within Square 242, bounded by 14th Street N.W., Rhode Island Avenue N.W., Logan Circle N.W., Vermont Avenue N.W., and N Street N.W. as *Gordon Way*. For visualization purposes, I have attached to this testimony a copy of a DDOT-generated map highlighting the designated alley system. Sufficient signage requires three total signs and three poles, totaling \$1,380.

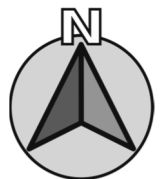
DDOT can absorb the costs of these signs and poles within its current budget and does not foresee any operational impact that these official and symbolic namings would have on the District's transportation network. Therefore, the Administration has no objection to these street, alley and public space namings. DDOT stands ready to assist the Council and all other stakeholders with any ceremonial unveiling activities that may materialize as a result of these bills being passed.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to testify before you today. I am available to answer any questions that you may have.

Bill 25-172, William R. Spaulding Way Designation Act of 2023



THE AREA SHOWN THUS ■ ■ ■ ■ IS SYMBOLICALLY DESIGNATED AS WILLIAM R. SPAULDING WAY



1 **DRAFT COMMITTEE PRINT**
2 **Committee of the Whole**
3 **September 19, 2023**

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11 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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21 Acquisition Procedures Act of 1982, effective March 10, 1983 (D.C. Law 4-201; D.C. Official
22 Code §§ 9-204.01, 9-204.03a, and 9-204.23), the Council symbolically designates Randolph
23 Street, N.E. between 19th Street, N.E. and 24th Street, N.E., as “William R. Spaulding Way.”

24 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

25 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
26 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
27 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

28 Sec. 4. Effective date.

29 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
30 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as
31 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
32 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code §1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
33 Columbia Register.