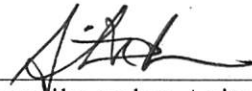
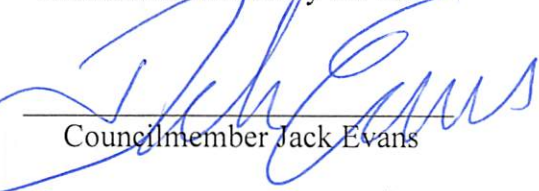


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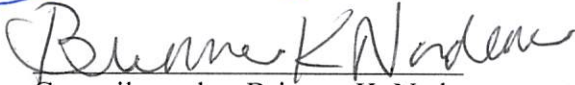
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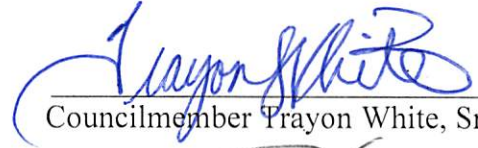
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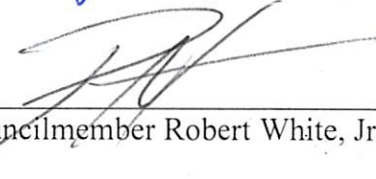
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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend the District of Columbia Act on Aging of 1975, to designate the District of Columbia Office on Aging as the Department on Aging and Community Living; to codify the mission statement of the Department; and to supplement the mission of the agency to include the prevention of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of older adults.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Department on Aging and Community Living Amendment Act of 2018".

Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Act on Aging, effective October 29, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-24; D.C. Official Code § 7-501.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 101 (D.C. Official Code § 7-501.01) is amended to read as follows:

"It is the intent of the Council of the District of Columbia that the District government shall ensure that a full range of health, education, employment, and social services be available

37 to the aged in the District of Columbia, and further, that the planning and operation of such
38 programs will be undertaken as a partnership of older citizens, families, community leaders,
39 private agencies, and the District of Columbia government.

40 "The mission of the District of Columbia Department on Aging and Community Living
41 (DCDAACL) is the following:

42 "(1) To advocate, plan, implement, and monitor programs in health, education,
43 and social services for the elderly;

44 "(2) To promote longevity, independence, dignity, and choice for older District
45 residents (age 60 plus), people with disabilities (age 18 to 59), and their caregivers;

46 "(3) To ensure the rights of older adults and their families, and prevent their
47 abuse, neglect, and exploitation;

48 "(4) To uphold the core values of service excellence, respect, compassion,
49 integrity, creativity, and accountability; and

50 "(5) To lead efforts to strengthen service delivery and capacity by engaging
51 community stakeholders and partners to leverage resources."

52 (b) Section 201 (D.C. Official Code § 7-502.01) is amended to read as follows:

53 "(1) "Aged" means a person 60 years of age or older.

54 "(2) "Commission" means the Commission on the Aging created by § 7-504.01.

55 "(3) "Department" means the Department on Aging and Community Living
56 created by § 7-503.01.

57 "(4) "Director" means the Director of the Department on Aging and Community
58 Living."

59 “(5) “Services to the aged” means those services designed to provide assistance to
60 the aged, including nutritional programs, transportation and legal services, health and financial
61 assistance, employment and housing programs, recreational opportunities, and information,
62 referral, and counseling services.”.

63 (c) Section 301 (D.C. Official Code § 7-503.01) is amended by striking the phrase “an
64 Office on Aging” and inserting the phrase “a Department on Aging and Community Living” in
65 its place.

66 (d) Section 302 (D.C. Official Code § 7-503.02) is amended to read as follows:

67 “(a) The Department shall be headed by an Executive Director, who shall be appointed
68 by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council of the District of Columbia, from a list
69 of not more than 3 names submitted to him by the Commission.

70 “(b) The Director shall be devoted full time to the duties of the office.

71 “(c) The annual compensation shall be fixed in accordance with Chapter 51 of Title 5,
72 United States Code (relating to the classification of government employees and related matters),
73 but shall be not less than a GS-15, Step 1 or the equivalent compensation pursuant to the
74 provisions of subchapter XI of Chapter 6 of Title 1.

75 “(d) The Director shall have such staff as is approved in the current District government
76 budget and federal grants, plus any temporary staff approved by the Office of Budget and
77 Management Systems.”.

78 (e) Sections 303, 305, and 306 (D.C. Official Code § 7-503.03, 3.05, and 3.06) are
79 amended by striking the word “Office” wherever it appears and inserting the word “Department”
80 in its place.

81 (f) Sections 401, 409, and 410, (D.C. Official Code § 7-504.01, 4.09, and 4.10) are
82 amended by striking the phrase “Office on Aging” wherever it appears and inserting the phrase
83 “Department on Aging and Community Living” in its place.

84 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

85 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the
86 fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home
87 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
88 206.02(c)(3)).

89 Sec. 4. Effective date.

90 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto
91 by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of
92 Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home
93 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
94 206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.