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January 10, 2023

Nyasha Smith, Secretary
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Secretary Smith,

Today, along with Chairman Phil Mendelson and Councilmembers Kenyan R. McDuffie, Brianne K. Nadeau, Matthew Frumin, Vincent C. Gray, Anita Bonds, Charles Allen, Zachary Parker, and Janeese Lewis George, I am introducing the "D.C. Groundhog Day Recognition Resolution of 2023". Please find attached a signed copy of the legislation.

The purpose of this resolution is to celebrate the ceremony of the District of Columbia's famous groundhog weatherman and political prognostician, Potomac Phil, as he delivers his highly anticipated, annual forecast on February 2, 2023, and to declare that date "D.C. Groundhog Day."

Should you have any questions about this legislation, please contact my Legislative Counsel, Kristin Ewing, at kewing@dccouncil.gov.

Thank you,

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Brooke Pinto



Chairman Phil Mendelson



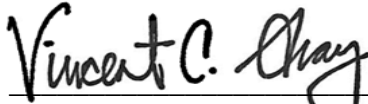
Councilmember Brooke Pinto



Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau



Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie



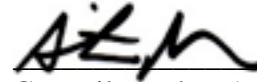
Councilmember Vincent C. Gray



Councilmember Matthew Frumin



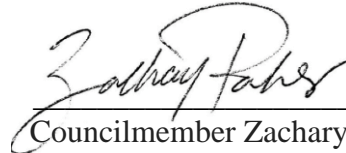
Councilmember Charles Allen



Councilmember Anita Bonds



Councilmember Janeese Lewis George



Councilmember Zachary Parker

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A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To celebrate the ceremony of the District of Columbia’s famous groundhog weatherman and political prognostician, Potomac Phil, as he delivers his highly anticipated, annual forecast on February 2, 2023, and to declare that date “D.C. Groundhog Day.”

WHEREAS, On February 2, 2023, residents and visitors of the District of Columbia will emerge to be educated on the American folklore tradition of Groundhog Day by Dupont Festival;

WHEREAS, on that morning, District residents will be reminded that if Potomac Phil emerges from his burrow and sees his shadow due to clear weather, he will retreat to his den and winter will persist for 6 more weeks and if he does not see his shadow because of cloudiness, spring will arrive early.

WHEREAS, District residents and visitors will be enlightened with the knowledge of Potomac Phil’s uncanny power of weather and political predictions; and

22 WHEREAS, Potomac Phil will elucidate the seasonal forecast for hundreds of individuals
23 in and around Dupont Circle during the morning of February 2, 2023.

24 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
25 resolution may be cited as the “D.C. Groundhog Day Recognition Resolution of 2023”.

26 Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia hereby declares February 2, 2023, as
27 D.C. Groundhog Day in the Nation’s Capital.

28 Sec. 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the first date of publication in
29 the District of Columbia Register.