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3 Councilmember Charles Allen



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7 Councilmember Anita Bonds

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9 A CEREMONIAL RESOLUTION

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11 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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13 To celebrate the life and advocacy of Donald R. Dinan, a longtime and well-known  
14 resident of the District of Columbia on the occasion of his recent passing.

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16 WHEREAS, Donald R. Dinan was a longtime and well-known resident of Ward 6 in the  
17 District of Columbia and made significant contributions to the local community through his  
18 active and valuable participation in the DC Democratic Party, various local campaigns and in the  
19 social and cultural life of DC;

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21 WHEREAS, Mr. Dinan was born in Nashua, NH, on August 28, 1949, and lived in Ellicott  
22 City, MD, from fourth grade through college;

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24 WHEREAS, Mr. Dinan was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School  
25 of Finance, the Georgetown University Law Center, and the London School of Economic and  
26 Political Science;

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28 WHEREAS, he served as the former Director of the Unfair Import Investigations Division  
29 of the US International Trade Commission and as an Investigative Attorney and a significant  
30 contributor to the formulation of the original Rules of Practice and Enforcement governing  
31 Section 337;

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33 WHEREAS, Mr. Dinan was well-regarded for his work in federal court litigation,  
34 transnational litigation, and international arbitration, including his selection as a Lawyer of  
35 Distinction, a prestigious honor reflecting peer recognition and professional achievement;

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37 WHEREAS, he actively participated in various professional associations, including the  
38 American and Federal Bar Associations, served as Legal Counsel to the Democratic State  
39 Committee, and held the position of former President of the US International Trade Commission  
40 Historical Society;

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42 WHEREAS, Mr. Dinan's stellar engagement with many political candidates, advocacy  
43 groups and successful political outcomes cannot be overlooked and will likely be cherished by  
44 the recipients of his wise advice for many years into the future;

46 WHEREAS, Mr. Dinan also played an active role in DC politics for over 45 years,  
47 serving as President of the Ward 6 Democrats, General Counsel to the DC Democratic State  
48 Committee, member of the Democratic National Committee's Rules and Bylaws Committee and  
49 Super Delegate three times at Democratic National Conventions;

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51 WHEREAS, in addition to his professional commitments, Mr. Dinan generously shared his  
52 knowledge and time as an Adjunct Professor of International Trade and Intellectual Property at  
53 Georgetown University Law School;

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55 WHEREAS, he became a partner at Goetz Fitzpatrick LLP in September 2015 and was a  
56 member of the Bars of Washington, DC; New York; and Massachusetts.

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58 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this  
59 resolution may be cited as the “Donald R. Dinan Memorial Recognition Resolution of 2024.”

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61 Sec. 2 The Council of the District of Columbia recognizes and honors the incredible life of  
62 Donald R. Dinan and express our deepest condolences to his wife, daughter, and the entire  
63 District community for the loss of a intelligent and ‘go-to- person and friend who will be sorely  
64 missed.

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