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8 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION  
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12 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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16 To declare the existence of an emergency , due to congressional review, with respect to the need  
17 to amend the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Act of 1975 to extend pandemic  
18 provisions related to Advisory Neighborhood Commissions, including revised election  
19 procedures to fill vacancies on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions and authorization  
20 for Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to meet remotely.  
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22 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
23 resolution may be cited as the “Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Pandemic Provisions  
24 Extension Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

25 Sec. 2. (a) Since the onset of the pandemic, the Council has amended existing law to  
26 provide Advisory Neighborhood Commissions with the necessary flexibility and authority to  
27 continue their important work.

28 (b) Among other things, these amendments established revised procedures to fill  
29 vacancies on Advisory Neighborhood commissions and permitted Advisory Neighborhood  
30 Commissions to meet and vote remotely.

31 (c) The experience of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions during the pandemic  
32 demonstrated that the procedures established by this emergency and temporary legislation have  
33 improved both the efficiency and efficacy of Commissions and should continue.

1 (d) Most recently, the Council passed the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions  
2 Pandemic Provisions Extension Second Emergency Amendment Act of 2022, which expires on  
3 February 19, 2023. The accompanying temporary legislation is still awaiting congressional  
4 review. Therefore, a congressional review emergency is necessary to avoid any gap in  
5 applicability.

6 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances  
7 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the  
8 “Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Pandemic Provisions Extension Congressional Review  
9 Emergency Amendment Act of 2023” be *adopted after a single reading*.

10 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.