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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Immunization of School Students Act of 1979 to postpone the date by which students must be vaccinated against COVID-19.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Coronavirus Immunization of School Students Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. (a) On November 1, 2022, the Council adopted the “Coronavirus Immunization of School Students Emergency Amendment Act of 2022”. The Act became law on November 22, 2022 and will expire on February 20, 2023.

(b) On November 15, 2022, the Council adopted the “Coronavirus Immunization of School Students Temporary Amendment Act of 2022”. The temporary measure was signed by the Mayor on December 8, 2022 and is currently under Congressional review.

(c) The measure will not complete the 30-day Congressional review period until March 8, 2023.

32 (d) This identical emergency legislation is necessary to prevent a gap in the law between
33 the expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act.

34 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances
35 enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the
36 Coronavirus Immunization of School Students Congressional Review Emergency Declaration
37 Resolution of 2023 must be adopted after a single reading.

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