

A RESOLUTION

25-644

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

October 1, 2024

To declare an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the District of Columbia Housing Authority Act of 1999 to establish a temporary Stabilization and Reform Board to govern the District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) and to require that the Board and the Executive Director of DCHA take specific actions to reform and revitalize the operations of DCHA.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “District of Columbia Housing Authority Stabilization and Reform Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024”.

Sec. 2. (a) In December 2022, the Council passed and the Mayor signed the District of Columbia Housing Authority Stabilization and Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2022. Pursuant to this legislation, a new Stabilization and Reform Board (“STAR Board”) assumed control over the operations of the District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) at the start of 2023. The STAR Board’s authorizing legislation contemplates a 2-year term.

(b) The Council has passed subsequent rounds of emergency and temporary legislation as necessary to maintain the STAR Board structure. The current law, the District of Columbia Housing Authority Stabilization and Reform Emergency Amendment Act of 2024, will expire on October 24, 2024, while an identical temporary measure is pending congressional review. Further emergency legislation is required to maintain the current governance structure and allow the STAR Board’s 2-year term to continue.

Sec. 3. The Council determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute an emergency making it necessary that the District of Columbia Housing Authority Stabilization and Reform Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2024 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.