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7B Crime Prevention, Intervention and Implementation Request

April 25, 2019

The Honorable Muriel Bowser
Mayor, Washington, DC
The Honorable Vincent Gray
Ward 7 Councilmember
The Honorable Charles Allen,
Ward 6 Councilmember, Chair -
Committee on the Judiciary and Public Safety
Mr. Peter Newsham,
Chief, Metropolitan Police Department

Mayor Bowser, Councilmember Gray, Councilmember Allen, and Chief Newsham;

As a vibrant community of diverse stakeholders, we enjoy a lifestyle of urban living with a suburban feel. Lately, our inner peace has been shaken and life as we knew it has been changed. Since January 2019, residents, stakeholders and Civic Association Leaders within Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 7B have witnessed multiple violent crimes not limited to homicides, shootings, and robberies. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7B requests that the Mayor of the District of Columbia, the respective Councilmembers' offices and the Chief of Metropolitan Police Department collaboratively partner with ANC 7B and stakeholder associations in Hillcrest, Penn-Branch, DuPont Park, Randle Highlands, Fairfax Village, Naylor Gardens, Fort Davis and Park Naylor and work to:

- 1) Increase police visibility,
- 2) Demonstrate faster response times,
- 3) Increase Community Policing in all PSA,
- 4) Increase closure rates.
- 5) Distribute resources for educational crime prevention campaigns; and,
- 6) Reduce the fear of crime.

ANC 7B is appreciative and grateful of the time and attention both the Mayor, Councilmembers and the Police Chief have given to our concerns. However, the matters of unusual, senseless and random acts of violent crimes that have plagued residents of ANC 7B recently is troubling. Since January 2019 the following violent crimes have occurred:

1)	Double homicide in Ft Davis-	January 26 th , 2019	1500 Fort Davis Place, SE
2)	Daytime shooting in Twining	February 4 th , 2019	2300 Blk of Penn, Ave, SE
3)	Drive by shooting in Hillcrest	February 9 th , 2019	
4)	Daylight shooting in Twinning/Greenway	February 23, 2019	3300 DuBois Place, SE
5)	Gunpoint Robbery in Hillcrest	March 19, 2019	32 nd & W Street, S.E.
6)	Drive by shooting in Hillcrest	March 28 th , 2019	2100 Blk Alabama Ave, SE
7)	Shooting in Randle-Highlands	March 31, 2019	2900 blk of S St., S.E.
8)	Cab-driver shot in Hillcrest	April 17, 2019	32 nd & W Street, S.E.

The residents south of Massachusetts Avenue have hunkered down in response and are organizing to protect themselves. Attendance at PSA meetings has increased, residents are participating in organized community walks and encouraging all to keep their porch lights on.

We can no longer live in fear. Therefore, we as representatives of the more than 14,000 residents within ANC 7B are demanding specific actions related to our collective health and safety within this community.

ANC 7B is specifically requesting the following changes to be made immediately to PSAs 603, 605, 606, and 607:

- Detail of 10 experienced and trained officers until October 1, 2019, to increase foot patrol as well as monitoring the neighborhood.
- A permanent police presence in those areas where the most traumatic violence or consistent nuisance acts have occurred, (i.e. police cars, mobile unit, lights, cameras, etc.)
- Weekly community walks in “hot spots” within the ANC with the appropriate agency leads who can effectuate change.
- Resources for safety campaigns within each specific PSA.

The Commission eagerly waits for these changes to occur and welcomes a dialogue on how these changes will be implemented. To curtail this level of violence we need a focused, deliberate and concentrated plan to be implemented.

We look forward to your expeditious response,



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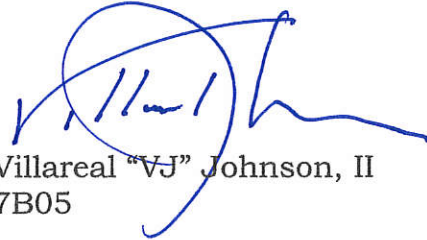
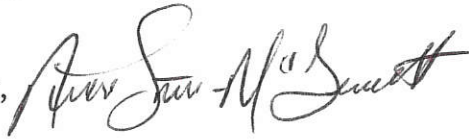


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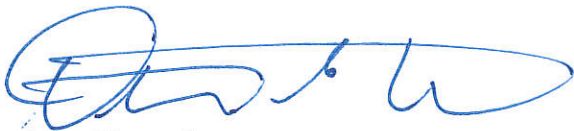
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