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DCCA Testimony on ANC-SMD Redistricting

There are many issues on which DCCA must work with ANCs, including liquor licenses, development within historic preservation guidelines, and transportation concerns. As can be seen on the attached map, DCCA's boundaries do not coincide with the current ANC2B, but they encompass ANC2B on the north, east, and west, and have defined the Dupont Circle community (with one minor adjustment) since long before ANCs were established. Although our boundaries do extend outside the current ANC2B, we have worked almost exclusively with this ANC on most issues. For our workload to be manageable, by minimizing the number of ANC meetings we must attend, we would like this overlap to continue as much as practicable.

Therefore, the majority of the DCCA Board endorses the outline of 2B, Map 1, submitted by Bob Meehan. We are indifferent about the disposition of the blue triangle on 2B, Map 2, rev. 1 labeled TBD. Specifically:

- On the west side, our members are strongly in favor of keeping the boundary of 2B along Florida Avenue.
- On the south, these maps maintain the Dupont Circle Historic District within ANC 2B. DCCA was instrumental in establishing this historic district, and we offer help to our members in matters affecting historic preservation.
- Although DCCA's boundaries extend to K Street on the south, we think the expansion of the downtown focused ANC2C is desirable. It would not be a large burden to work with them on matters that might arise between M and K Streets.
- Regarding SMD borders within 2B, we favor the plan in Map 2B, Rev 1 that minimizes SMD splits across the major commercial streets in ANC2B.
- The majority of the DCCA Board asks that the northeast corner of ANC 2B, between 14th and 15th Streets north of S Street, remain in 2B, consistent with DCCA's boundary. Several current and previous leaders of DCCA live in this corner and have worked with the Dupont community for 20 years. They and other DCCA members on nearby blocks have requested that this corner stay in 2B. It has been argued the newer residents living in two large building on 14th Street, representing about a third of the residents in this area, and others in this area do not consider themselves part of the Dupont community. However, we think that the interests of the many long-time residents living in this area in the numerous row houses on the east-west streets and 15th Street, and in the large co-op buildings on 15th Street, can be best served by remaining in ANC2B.

Respectfully Submitted,

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