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Re: Your August 8, 2024 Response to District of Columbia Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B Chairperson Edward Ryder Regarding Request for Implementation of Transparent Data Management and Public Reporting of Aggregate Data

At a properly noticed general meeting on October 8, 2024, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted 8-0-0, based on the recommendation of its Public Safety Committee, to submit the following request.

Dear Mr. Graves:

Thank you for your response to the ANC 6B letter requesting USAO implement additional transparent data management and public reporting of aggregate data. The ANC appreciates you taking time to consider the requests to better inform the DC public with critical public safety metrics. We hope to continue productive dialogue.

As you agreed, transparency with the community is critical. We appreciate the USAO understanding the importance of continuing to improve public data transparency. We also agree that data transparency should not jeopardize legal privacy rights. Fortunately, there are opportunities to continue to increase data transparency without jeopardizing privacy of personally identifiable information (PII).

Again, we ask that you accept the correspondence below with the "great weight" afforded ANCs under the Home Rule Charter, request a written response or future conversation with the committee, and urge you to implement the request below.

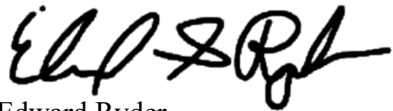
As with any federal government software systems acquisitions, it is best practice to continuously engage key stakeholders to identify and collect functional requirements during the entire acquisition period. The ANC requests USAO recognize and include the ANC and the citizens of the District of Columbia as key stakeholders in the USAO case management system development acquisition. As key stakeholders, the ANC requests its representative(s) be included in engagements with the acquisition and vendor teams to identify requirements, set system acceptance criteria, and user acceptance testing.

During our April convening with you, ANC6B and neighbors discussed with you the need for clear, transparent, and improved timely data to better assess both the prosecution rate of crimes committed in the District of Columbia and to better

understand the outcomes for justice-involved individuals who engage with the rehabilitation system through alternative routes such as diversion or supportive services. We need to continue to work collaboratively to implement data reporting improvements that can help both USAO and District residents better understand key trends and advocate for more effective policies.

We thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to continuing to collaborate with you on these issues. For any questions about this letter, please contact ANC 6B Public Safety Committee Chair Frank Avery at 6B01@anc.dc.gov.

Sincerely,



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