



To Save Up to \$66 Million of Tax Dollars Slated for a Military Parade on DC Streets Not Built for Military Vehicles

At a properly noticed general meeting on June 10, 2025, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted 5-0 (with 1 abstentions and 3 recusals) to support the following resolution:

WHEREAS, to celebrate the Army's 250th anniversary, the United States Army has scheduled a military parade, from Arlington, Virginia, to the National Mall, on June 14, 2025, President Donald J. Trump's 79th birthday, and

WHEREAS, the Army expects its parade to include 6,600 soldiers, 150 vehicles, and 50 helicopters, and

WHEREAS, Department of Defense officials estimate individual Army units will spend up to \$45 million to hold this parade, and

WHEREAS, estimates of the damage from the parade, to repair roads not built for military vehicles, range from \$16 million to \$21 million, and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia's Chief Financial Officer estimates that federal government personnel layoffs will already cost DC, in lost tax revenues, \$1 billion over four years, and the U.S. House of Representatives has already interfered with the DC budget, removing \$1 billion from the 2025 operating budget, and

WHEREAS, military parades are more typical of authoritarian governments than of democracies,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED--

1. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B urges the United States Army to cancel its planned June 14 military parade, or in the alternative to relocate the parade entirely outside the District of Columbia, and avoid damaging DC's streets.

2. If the parade takes place in DC--

a. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B urges the United States Army to commit to immediate repairs of any damage to the streets of DC, and

b. To the extent any part of the DC government takes responsibility for repairing its streets, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B urges Congress to ensure full reimbursement of the DC government before the end of Fiscal Year 2025.

c. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B urges the United States military to evacuate, from the streets of and airspace above DC, and by 6 a.m. Monday, June 16, all equipment and personnel associated with the parade.

d. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B urges the United States military and Congress to ensure full reimbursement of the DC government for any additional costs associated with the parade, including but not limited to Metropolitan Police Department overtime.

3. Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B urges the DC Mayor and Council to exert every effort to--

a. Induce the United States Army to cancel its planned June 14 military parade, or to relocate the parade entirely outside the District of Columbia, or--

b. If the parade takes place in DC, to--

1) Cause the United States military to evacuate, from the streets of and airspace above DC, and by 6 a.m. Monday, June 16, all equipment and personnel associated with the parade.

2) Secure immediate repair, by the United States Army, of any damage to the streets of DC.

3) Secure full reimbursement of the DC government, by the end of Fiscal Year 2025, of all costs paid by the DC government and associated with the parade, including but not limited to funds needed to repair DC's streets or to pay overtime to members of the Metropolitan Police Department.