



A RESOLUTION DEMANDING IMMEDIATE CONGRESSIONAL RELEASE OF \$1 BILLION IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TAXPAYER DOLLARS, AND CONDEMNING UNLAWFUL PRESIDENTIAL SEIZURE OF THE DC POLICE DEPARTMENT.

At a properly noticed Executive Committee meeting on August 26, 2025, with a quorum of officers present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6B voted 4-0-0 to support the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the DC Home Rule Act, Pub.L. 93-198, 87 Stat. 774 § 740, authorizes the President to seize control of the DC Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) only if “special conditions of an emergency nature exist which require the use of the Metropolitan Police force for Federal purposes,” and

WHEREAS, the DC violent-crime rate has reached a 30-year low, and

WHEREAS, the 800 individuals estimated to be living on DC’s streets resembles the number living on the streets of other major American cities, and is below the number in other major cities, and

WHEREAS, in enacting the Home Rule Act, Congress never intended a 30-year-low crime rate or 800 individuals living on the street to qualify as an “emergency,” or enforcing local laws or removing homeless people from city streets to qualify as “Federal purposes,” and

WHEREAS, therefore, President Donald Trump’s August 11 invocation of section 740 to seize MPD violates the Home Rule Act, and

WHEREAS, this illegal seizure of MPD undermines local reforms, disrupts community-MPD relations, erodes trust in local law enforcement, and replaces data-driven strategies with politically motivated intervention in local affairs, and

WHEREAS, Congress and the President have also undermined public safety and other essential local DC responsibilities by arbitrarily withholding over \$1 billion in DC taxpayer funds, and

WHEREAS, on August 11, falsely claiming the same “emergency” under which he illegally seized control of MPD under the Home Rule Act, President Trump also called out the National Guard to police DC streets,

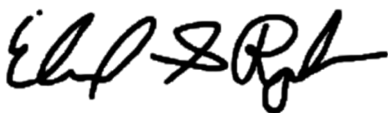
WHEREAS, even though our Capitol Hill neighborhood rarely has mines or experiences military ambushes, on August 20, 2025, the National Guard sent a Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected All-Terrain Vehicle through our neighborhood, a mine-resistant vehicle that found no mines but instead collided with a civilian vehicle and injured a DC resident,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THIS ANC

1. Condemns the federal takeover of MPD for purposes unrelated to any real “emergency.”
2. Applauds DC Attorney General Brian Schwalb’s efforts to protect the rule of law by legal action against the unlawful federal takeover of MPD.
3. Urges Congress and the President to release the \$1 billion of DC taxpayer dollars it has blocked, so DC can use its own money to prevent crime and police neighborhoods.
4. Urges Congress to reject any move to extend the illegal federal MPD takeover beyond 30 days.
5. Demands that the federal government reveal the mission, rules of engagement, arrest criteria, geographic scope, and expected duration of the federal MPD takeover.
6. Demands that federal officers limit their policing to federal lands, such as parks, monuments, and federal buildings and grounds.
7. Urges MPD to inform DC residents about federal involvement in policing, with clear guidance on residents’ legal rights, reporting mechanisms, and safe engagement with law enforcement.
8. Urges MPD and the DC mayor to document and publicize inappropriate federal intervention in DC neighborhoods.
9. Demands that, in our city, the U.S. military operate equipment either safely or not at all.

ON BEHALF OF ANC 6B

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Ryder', with a stylized, cursive script.

Edward Ryder

Chair, ANC 6B