



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

May 27, 2016

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RE: 2017 DC Fiscal Budget Funding for the Opening Day Collection at the New West End Library

Dear Chairman Mendelson and Councilmember Grosso,

At its regular meeting on May 18, 2016, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With six of seven commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution, which was introduced by Commissioner Coder and seconded by Commissioner Schrefer, by a vote of **(6-0-0)**:

WHEREAS, the Foggy Bottom and West End community is eagerly preparing for the spring 2017 opening of its new, state-of-the-art West End Library at 24th and M Streets NW,

WHEREAS, the West End Library Friends (WELF), a 501(c)3 organization which serves as the primary advocate for the library, has requested and secured funding as part of the 2017 library budget process for updating the opening day collections,

WHEREAS, the opening collection for a library branch includes books in all forms, reflective of a first-class, 21st Century library. Given the varied material formats (books, large print, DVD, CD, e-books, etc), in order to be competitive, the West End Library’s collection must include all these things as well as the latest periodicals and research materials that, although they may be online, are considered part of the collection budget, and



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WHEREAS, ANC 2A extends its gratitude to Councilmember Evans, Councilmember Grosso, and the Committee on Education for ensuring the inclusion of the opening day collection funding in the 2017 budget.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A respectfully requests that the full DC Council support this critical funding as part of its final vote on the 2017 DC Fiscal Budget on May 31, 2016.

Commissioners Rebecca Coder (2A02@anc.dc.gov) and Patrick Kennedy (2A01@anc.dc.gov) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Patrick Kennedy
Chairperson

CC: Councilmember Jack Evans, Ward 2
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Susan Haight, President, West End Library Friends
Archie Williams, Intergovernmental Affairs Officer, DC Public Library