



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
 Single Member Districts 6A-02, 6A-03, 6A-04, 6A-08  
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 Washington, DC 20013



Councilmember Muriel Bowser  
 1350 Pennsylvania Ave NW Suite 110  
 Washington, DC 20004

RE: Disapproval of the PR 18-0665, "Billboard Blight Removal Approval Resolution"

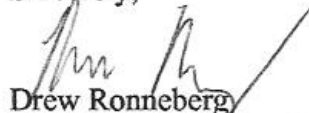
Dear Councilmember Bowser:


As Commissioners of ANC 6A, we are writing in strong opposition to the mayoral resolution, "Billboard Blight Removal Approval Resolution". The resolution would rescind DCRA's proposed regulations to remove antiquated billboards, lift the current cap on number of permitted "special signs" and allow new special signs to be located anywhere in the District, included the portion of H Street NE located in our ANC.

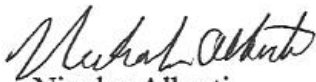
Special signs are a much larger visual blight than billboards because, while grandfathered billboards are limited to 300 square feet, special signs can cover the entire side of a multistory building like the huge nine story special sign at 5<sup>th</sup> and Massachusetts NW. In addition, under the pending mayoral resolution, permits for new special signs will not expire nor be limited to areas in downtown Washington DC.

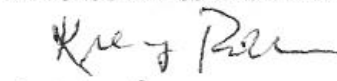
ANC 6A was not able to weigh in on this matter because of the short notice period, and as a result, we are writing to you as individual commissioners. We strongly urge you and rest of the City Council to disapprove the "Billboard Blight Removal Approval Resolution" and take up DCRA's proposed blight removal regulations as permanent legislation.

Sincerely,

  
 Drew Ronneberg  
 ANC Commissioner 6A02

  
 David Holmes  
 ANC Commissioner 6A04

  
 Nicolas Alberti  
 ANC Commissioner 6A04

  
 Kelvin Robinson  
 ANC Commissioner 6A08

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