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#1E-2023-0401: RESOLUTION REQUESTING RELEASE OF CONGESTION PRICING STUDY

WHEREAS, Traffic congestion negatively impacts air quality and public health by increasing greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution; and

WHEREAS, Congestion impedes emergency vehicles, increases commute times, decreases productivity, and reduces quality of life for residents, workers, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, Studies have indicated that congestion pricing is an effective strategy to reduce traffic congestion and encourage sustainable transportation choices; and

WHEREAS, Cities such as London, Stockholm, and Singapore have successfully implemented congestion pricing systems and experienced decreased traffic congestion and improved air quality; and

WHEREAS, The District passed the [Congestion Pricing Study Amendment](#) in order to “make publicly available a study that evaluates and makes recommendations regarding the potential benefits of congestion pricing on the District;” and

WHEREAS, The law went into effect on September 11, 2019 and states the study shall be available to the public by July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, This study remains in draft form and unavailable to the public almost 3 years after the mandated due date; and

WHEREAS, The community is interested in better understanding the findings and recommendations from the draft study; and

WHEREAS, While congestion pricing will generate revenue for the District, the intention of these measures are to impact transportation behavior that will improve public safety; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor’s Fiscal Year 2024 Budget proposes diverting Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) camera revenues from traffic safety projects to the general budget, increasing the perception that traffic disruption measures that could include congestion pricing are meant to be revenue raisers and not safety driven; therefore

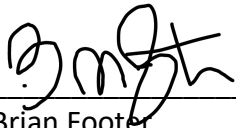
BE IT RESOLVED, That ANC 1E requests the prompt release of the Congestion Pricing Study as mandated by the Council to allow for thorough review, public input, and informed decision-making regarding the potential implementation of a congestion pricing system in the District; further

BE IT RESOLVED, That ANC 1E recommends that any revenues raised from the potential implementation of congestion pricing should be directed to traffic safety projects.

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Certification:

After providing sufficient notice for and with a quorum of 6 present at its April 26, 2023 meeting, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1E voted, with 6 Yeas, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions, to adopt the above resolution.



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Chairperson, ANC 1E



Josh Jacobson
Secretary, ANC 1E

To: Mayor Muriel Bowser

CC: Deputy Mayor Lucinda Babers, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Operations and Infrastructure; Director Jennifer Reed, Office of Budget and Performance Management; Chair Phil Mendelson, Council of the District of Columbia; Councilmember Charles Allen, Chair of the Committee on Transportation & the Environment, Council of the District of Columbia; Councilmember Brianne Nadeau, Council of the District of Columbia