Resolution Regarding the Need for a Men's Emergency Hypothermia Shelter
West of Rock Creek Park This Winter

Whereas, the government of the District of Columbia has yet to establish an emergency hypothermia center for homeless men in Ward 3 during District of Columbia-designated hypothermia alerts this winter;

Whereas, the homeless population that makes use of homeless services west of Rock Creek Park is significant;

Whereas, making it necessary for homeless men to travel to other parts of the city to reach a hypothermia shelter, far away from their local networks and community support systems, will likely discourage many of our most vulnerable residents from taking advantage of the available services and leave them without warm shelter during designated hypothermia emergencies this winter;

Whereas, there is no shortage of city-owned and operated spaces west of Rock Creek Park that could be used as temporary men's hypothermia emergency facilities this winter;

Whereas, there are also faith-based institutions and/or not-for-profit organizations that might be willing to host a men's hypothermia emergency center west of Rock Creek Park this winter;

Whereas, this Commission is willing to work with city officials to help identify a facility that could serve as an emergency hypothermia shelter this winter in the area west of Rock Creek Park;

Therefore, be it RESOLVED that ANC3B strenuously urges the District of Columbia government, including the Department of Human Services, to identify and operate an emergency men's hypothermia shelter in a location west of Rock Creek Park during the winter of 2018-19 that is available during all designated hypothermia emergencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman or his designees are authorized to represent the Commission on this matter.

This Resolution was APPROVED by a vote of 5-0 at a duly noticed public meeting of ANC3B on Thursday, November 8, 2018, at which a quorum was present. (A quorum is 3 of the 5 members.)

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Brian Turmail, Chairman
Ann Mladinov, Secretary