September 12, 2014

Mayor Vincent C. Gray

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At a duly noticed public meeting, September 8, 2014, Chevy Chase ANC 3/4G voted 7-0 (a quorum being 4) to adopt the resolution noted below regarding the Chevy Chase Community Center (5601 Connecticut Avenue, NW) and the critical need for modernization of the building in order to meet current structural, technological, safety and use standards, including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS** Mayor Gray’s [Age-Friendly DC](http://agefriendly.dc.gov/) Initiative by 2017 is part of an international effort started by the World Health Organization (WHO) to help cities respond to two significant demographics trends: urbanization and an aging population and the health and quality of life of older people living all around the world.

**WHEREAS** DC Department of Parks and Recreation's mission is to enhance the quality of life and wellness for DC residents and visitors by providing equal access to affordable and quality recreational services by organizing programs, activities and events;

**WHEREAS** Ward 3 will be the only Ward that does not havea DC Office on Aging (DCOA) senior wellness center once Ward 2 opens in 2015;

**WHEREAS** the Chevy Chase Community Center (CCCC) operated by DC Department of Parks and Recreation was built in 1967 and is in critical need of modernization in order to meet current structural, technological, safety and use standards, including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA);

**WHEREAS** the CCCC serves as the home of Club 60+ which launched one year ago and provides regularly scheduled programs for the physical and social wellbeing of seniors in Ward 3 & Ward 4;

**WHEREAS** senior and adult patrons find it challenging to navigate the child-sized bathroom stalls, the narrow tread and steep staircases as well as entering and exiting the building with strollers, wheelchairs or canes without automatic doors.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that a thorough, professional assessment of the Chevy Chase Community Center be conducted as soon as possible to determine the specific improvements needed to bring it into compliance with modern standards and that, based on assessment findings and structural limitations present budget alternatives for the implementation of the needed repairs.

Sincerely,

Jim McCarthy

Chair

ANC3/4G

cc: Beatriz Otero, Deputy Mayor of Health and Human Services

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Yvette Alexander, Chair, DC Council’s Health Committee