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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To establish, on a temporary basis, the Emancipation Day Fund to accept and use gifts for the purpose of funding the Emancipation Day Parade and related activities to commemorate the celebration of the private legal holiday, the District of Columbia Emancipation Day.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Emancipation Day Fund Temporary Act of 2003".

Sec. 2. Definitions.
 For the purposes of this act, the term:
(1) "Emancipation Day Fund" means the fund established in section 4.
(2) "Emancipation Day Parade" means the parade to celebrate and commemorate the District of Columbia Emancipation Day.

Sec. 3. Authority.
Pursuant to the District of Columbia Emancipation Day Amendment Act of 2000, effective April 3, 2001 (D.C. Law 13-237; 48 DCR 597), April 16th was established as the date for a private legal holiday, District of Columbia Emancipation Day, to commemorate and celebrate the day President Abraham Lincoln signed the District of Columbia Emancipation Act ending slavery in the District of Columbia. Pursuant to section 115 of the District of Columbia Appropriations Act, 2002, approved December 21, 2001 (Pub. L. No. 107-96; 115 Stat. 949), the Council may accept and use gifts without prior approval by the Mayor.

Sec. 4. Emancipation Day Fund.
(a) There is established the Emancipation Day Fund ("Fund") to receive monies for the purposes of funding the Emancipation Day Parade and activities associated with the celebration and commemoration of Emancipation Day.
(b) The monies in the Fund shall not be a part of, nor lapse into, the General Fund of the District or any other fund of the District.
(c) By August 1st of each year, a report shall be submitted to the Council which will

include a specific accounting of how monies in the Fund were expended and the amount of any remaining balance. The accounting shall include the following:

        (2) The name of any donors or anonymous contributions;

        (2) The amounts of each contribution;

        (3) A description of any donated property;

        (4) The identification of the use of funds for purposes of presenting the parade in recognition of the private legal holiday, known as Emancipation Day; and

        (5) The support for those parade-related programs, activities, and functions for which the funds have been expended.

    (d) Monies may only be expended from the Fund for the administration of the Emancipation Day Parade and activities associated with the parade.

    Sec. 5. Establishment of Emancipation Day Parade.
There shall be a parade and activities associated with the District of Columbia Emancipation Day each year in commemoration and celebration of this private legal holiday.

    Sec. 6. Fiscal impact statement.
    The monies in the Fund shall not be included in the District's revenues nor will the obligations generated by payment for the celebration be part of the District's obligations, therefore the Emancipation Day Fund will have no fiscal impact on the District. The Council adopts the attached fiscal impact statement as the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

    Sec. 7. Effective date.
    (a) This act shall take effect upon its approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December

24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)) and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

   (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its having taken effect.

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Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

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Mayor
District of Columbia