## D.C. Resolution 20-314, effective November 5, 2013

## A RESOLUTION

Proposed Resolution 20-543

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to Congressional review, with respect to the need to create the Center for Creative Non-Violence and District Government Task Force to advise the Council and the Mayor regarding the future use of the building and property owned by the District located at 425 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, N.W.

See Emergency D.C. Act 20-226 20 DCStat 2616

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "CCNV Task Force Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2013".

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- Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to create an advisory task force to develop proposals regarding future use of the building and property owned by the District located at 425 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, N.W., and the future use of property owned on the same city block by the Center for Creative Non-Violence ("CCNV") located adjacent to the District property.
- (b) The building occupied by CCNV at 425 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, N.W., is dilapidated, and the conditions for the over 1300 individuals who are sheltered there are in need of substantial improvement. There is an urgent need to establish better shelter space and improved homeless services.
- (c) The value of the real estate creates new opportunities to explore options for improved shelter and better services as well as affordable workforce housing and transitional housing for homeless District residents.
- (d) The Committee on Human Services held a public oversight hearing on the subject of CCNV on June 27, 2013. Twenty-three public witnesses testified. It became clear as a result of the hearing that the need for improvement is pressing and the stakeholders are ready to participate in a process to develop recommendations together.
- (e) An advisory task force comprised of representatives of the Mayor's office, the Council, CCNV, and other stakeholders to develop a single set of recommendations is critical to determination of the best future use of the properties owned by the District located at 425 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, N.W., and adjacent property owned by CCNV.
- (f) The emergency legislation that established the Center for Creative Non-Violence and District Government Task Force is charged with developing a written proposal no later than 6 months after the Task Force's first meeting.
- (g) The CCNV Task Force Emergency Act of 2013, effective August 2, 2013 (D.C. Act 20-147), expired on October 31, 2013. Temporary legislation, the CCNV Task Force Temporary Act of 2013 (D.C. Act 20-184), is pending Congressional review with a projected D.C. Law date of December 12, 2013.

- (h) This Congressional review emergency is necessary to prevent a gap in the law.
- Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the CCNV Task Force Congressional Review Emergency Act of 2013 be adopted after a single reading.
  - Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.