

**ANC3F Resolution in Support of Petition for a  
Sidewalk on the North Side of the 3800 Block of Albemarle Street, NW  
from 38<sup>th</sup> Street to 39<sup>th</sup> Street**

WHEREAS, the 3800 block of Albemarle Street, NW, is located in ANC 3F06; and

WHEREAS, ANC 3F has received and reviewed the attached petition by residents and property owners of the 3800 block of Albemarle Street, NW, requesting installation of a sidewalk on the north side of the block from 38<sup>th</sup> to 39<sup>th</sup> Streets; and

WHEREAS, the signatories to the petition represent 20 of the 22 households on the block, a vast majority; and

WHEREAS, the 3800 block of Albemarle Street is classified as a collector street, with 6,500 vehicles per day (2009 counts), as well as a high number of pedestrians walking to the Tenleytown Metro (on the same side of Albemarle Street 1.5 blocks away); several nearby schools; the Tenleytown shopping district and public library; the Wilson Aquatic Center; and places of worship; and

WHEREAS, the presence of sidewalks is critical to the safety of pedestrians because they provide an accessible travel path that is separated from traffic; and

WHEREAS, at present, the lack of a sidewalk on the north side of the block presents a hazard to pedestrians, many of whom walk in the street in the path of vehicles to avoid tree roots and other tripping hazards, and especially to disabled residents of the block; and

WHEREAS, the Priority Sidewalk Assurance Act provides that residents may petition to have sidewalks installed on roadway segments where they are missing; and

WHEREAS, the Act specifies that priority should be given to missing sidewalks in school areas, near transit stops and recreational facilities, and where absence of a sidewalk creates substantial pedestrian risks; this block meets these requirements; and


WHEREAS, ANC 3F also has received a petition from residents of nearby blocks who walk on Albemarle Street requesting installation of a sidewalk on the north side of the 3800 block of Albemarle Street;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC3F supports the petition of residents and property owners of the 3800 block of Albemarle Street, NW, for a sidewalk on the north side of the block from 38<sup>th</sup> to 39<sup>th</sup> Streets; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 3F requests that DDOT design the sidewalk so as to minimize disturbance to trees and shrubs now growing in public space and work with residents of the block to make sure their concerns are addressed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 3F urges that DDOT use permeable pavement for the sidewalk to allow rainwater to percolate into the ground to sustain the trees and shrubs in public space and to lessen the amount of water flowing into the storm sewers.

Adopted Monday October 15, 2012, by a vote of 5-0-0 at a duly noticed public meeting of ANC 3F with a quorum present (a quorum being four).

  
Roman Jankowski, Chair