

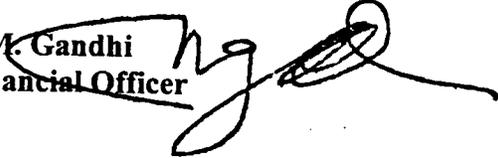
**Government of the District of Columbia  
Office of the Chief Financial Officer**



**Natwar M. Gandhi**  
Chief Financial Officer

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Linda W. Cropp  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Natwar M. Gandhi   
Chief Financial Officer

**DATE:** OCT 13 2005

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement: "West Dupont Circle Liquor License  
Moratorium Approval Resolution of 2005"

**REFERENCE:** Draft Resolution to be Introduced – No Number Available

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2006 through FY 2009 budget and financial plan. No additional staff or resources will be required to implement the provisions of the proposed resolution.

**Background**

The proposed resolution continues a moratorium on the approval of liquor retailer licenses for all classes issued in a portion of West Dupont Circle for five years. Currently there are 29 licenses in this area excluding hotels. The proposed resolution continues a current practice by the District government that has been in place since the early 1990s.

The proposed resolution will amend the current moratorium by allowing the approval of one additional Class CR or Class DR restaurant license bringing the allowable total up from 29 to 30. In addition, the proposed rulemaking will strictly control lateral expansion of properties by current alcoholic beverage retailers. The proposed rulemaking makes other changes that allow certain retailers to change the type of license they hold, and establishes rules governing the use of license "caps."

In addition, an amendment is being made to allow the approval of a particular type of license for every suspended or lapsed license of the same class.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the District's budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed resolution.