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MEMORANDUM

TO:	**The Honorable Vincent C. Gray** **Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia**
FROM:	**Natwar M. Gandhi** **Chief Financial Officer**
DATE:	**June 30, 2009**
SUBJECT:	**Fiscal Impact Statement – "East Dupont Circle Liquor License Moratorium Approval Resolution of 2009"**
REFERENCE:	**Draft Resolution to be Introduced – No Number Available**

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution. Implementation of the proposed resolution does not have an impact on the District's budget and financial plan.

Background

The proposed resolution would continue a moratorium on the approval of liquor retailer licenses issued in a portion of Dupont Circle known as the East Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone. This moratorium has been in place since the early 1990s. Specifically, the proposed resolution would replace a section[1] of the D.C. Municipal Regulations that expired on March 23, 2009[2] and impose a limit on the number of liquor retailer's licenses[3] in the East Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone for a three-year period, and would allow for the filing of two applications for lateral expansion of existing licenses in the Moratorium Zone.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed resolution.

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[1] Limitations on Licenses, East Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone, 23 DCMR § 306.

[2] It has been temporarily extended by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board upon determination that the existing moratorium has had positive effects on the neighborhood by protecting and supporting diverse retail and service establishments within the Moratorium Zone, promoting peace and order, and helping to avoid the parking and traffic difficulties found in nearby entertainment corridors.

[3] The proposed resolution would allow Class A (2), B (2) , CR or DR (17), and CT or DT (2).