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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Vincent C. Gray
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
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DATE: October 15, 2010

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – “Mayor and Chairman of the Council
Transition Emergency Act of 2010”

REFERENCE: DRAFT, shared with OCFO on October 12, 2010

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in FY 2010 through FY 2014 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Background

The proposed legislation would provide for the orderly transfer of the responsibilities upon the expiration of the term of office of, respectively, a Mayor and a Council Chairman, and the assumption of duties and responsibilities by a new Mayor, and a new Council Chairman. Specifically, the legislation authorizes the sitting Mayor to provide the following to support the transition teams for the Mayor-elect and Chairman-elect through 7th day following the inauguration: office space, furniture, furnishings, computers, office machines, and supplies, at whatever place or places within the District as the Mayor shall designate, at no cost to the Mayor-elect, the Chairman-elect, or the transition staff of each, services of District employees, District motor vehicles, printing services, postage and mailing services, and communication equipment and services.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2010 through FY 2014 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. The proposed legislation does not obligate the Mayor to a specific expenditure amount. Instead, the Mayor would be authorized to provide in-kind services to support the transition activities. The Executive Office of the Mayor has indicated that they have

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already identified the necessary space and equipment to support the transition teams. Any incidental expenditure incurred such as mailing and communications costs should be absorbed through existing resources.