

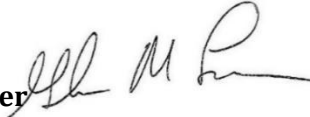
Government of the District of Columbia
Office of the Chief Financial Officer



Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Glen Lee
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: September 16, 2024

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Alma Thomas Way Designation Act of 2024

REFERENCE: Bill 25-828, Draft Committee Print as provided to the Office of Revenue Analysis on September 3, 2024

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2028 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

Alma Thomas was an artist who was Howard University's first fine arts graduate. She also taught at Shaw Junior High School for thirty-five years. In 1943, Thomas helped establish the Barnett Aden Gallery, one of the first black-owned art galleries in the United States. Thomas was known for her use of vibrant colors and rhythmic patterns, often using the District's parks as inspiration for her paintings. In 1972, she was the first black woman to have a solo exhibition in the Whitney Museum of American Art. Thomas died on February 24, 1978.

The bill symbolically designates 15th Street, N.W. between Church Street, N.W. and Q Street, N.W. as Alma Thomas Way.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2028 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) will fabricate and install two signs to symbolically designate the roadway as Alma Thomas Way. The signs will cost \$380 and DDOT can absorb the cost within its existing budgeted resources.