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



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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:

May 26, 2009

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Impact Statement: "National Guard Morale Welfare and

Recreation Act of 2009"

REFERENCE:

Bill 18-193, As Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2009 budget and the proposed FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

Background

The proposed bill would allow for the creation of the District of Columbia National Guard Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Association ("Association") by members of the D.C. National Guard; for members of the D.C. National Guard² to organize themselves into a corporation and raise funds to provide unit support or for charitable purposes; for the D.C. National Guard to accept donations, including any District appropriated funds or lease of land, and expend them in an acceptable manner; and for the creation, maintenance and expenditure of company and unit funds.

The creation of the Association and any corporations, as well as the acceptance and expenditure of donations, would be at the discretion of the D.C. National Guard and their members. Neither these activities, nor the creation of the company and units funds, would require the District of Columbia to provide any funding or other resources.

¹ Refers to all current and retired commissioned officers and warrant officers.

² Refers to the officers and enlisted personnel of the D.C. National Guard, as well as the officers and enlisted personnel of an organization or unit of the D.C. National Guard.

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Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2009 budget and the proposed FY 2010 through FY 2013 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. The creation of associations, corporations, and funds related to the D.C. National Guard would not have a fiscal impact as they would not require any resources be expended by the D.C. Government.