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RE: Honorary Renaming of the 1100 block of 6th Street SW to Zelda Fichandler Way

Dear Councilmember Allen:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed public meeting on May 13, 2024, with a quorum present, a quorum being five Commissioners, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D voted 6-0-0 in support of the following resolution to symbolically designate the renaming of the 1100 block of 6th Street SW as Zelda Fichandler Way to honor the legacy and impact Zelda Fichandler had as a pioneer in the regional theatre movement. The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas: Founded in 1950 by Zelda Fichandler, Thomas Fichandler and Edward Mangum, the Arena Stage has become a flagship of American theatre in Washington, DC.

Whereas: The Arena Stage was one of the first not-for-profit theatres in the U.S. and the first racially integrated theatre in Washington, DC.

Whereas: The Arena Stage was the first regional theatre to transfer a production to Broadway and the first to receive the Regional Theatre Tony Award.

Whereas: Through Zelda Fichandler's leadership the Arena Stage extended their horizons by implementing groundbreaking policies and programs while continuing to promote diversity in all aspects of theatre, from theatre going to production.

Whereas: The Arena Stage was led by Zelda Fichandler until 1990 and on September 18, 2024, will celebrate the 100th anniversary of her birth.

Therefore, Be It Resolved that ANC 6D supports the renaming of the 1100 block of 6th Street SW to Zelda Fichandler Way.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 6D07@anc.dc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fredrica Kramer".

Fredrica Kramer
Chairperson, ANC 6D
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