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MURIEL BOWSER ENDORSED BY THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT LABOR COMMITTEE

Washington, D.C. – The Fraternal Order of Police, Metropolitan Police Department Labor Committee is endorsing Muriel Bowser for the position of Ward 4 Councilmember for the Council of the District of Columbia.

The Fraternal Order of Police, Metropolitan Police Department Labor Committee (FOP) represents the more than 3,400 police officers, detectives, and sergeants of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Police Department. In issuing the endorsement, the Chairman of the FOP, Kristopher Baumann, said: “As a community advocate and a community leader, Muriel Bowser has demonstrated her dedication to the citizens of the District of Columbia and the residents of Ward Four. We wanted to support a candidate that cares about public safety and is capable of creating effective permanent solutions. Muriel Bowser is that candidate, and it is my pleasure to announce that the FOP is endorsing her.”

Baumann added, "We are supporting Muriel because she understands the opportunities that exist to build real, productive relationships between police officers and the citizens they serve. Muriel has demonstrated that she not only understands the issues surrounding public safety, but she is willing to roll up her sleeves and work to solve the problems facing the District.”

Bowser, an Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner that has worked with the police and the FOP on solving crime issues within her community, called the FOP endorsement “an honor and an important reminder of how critical it is for leaders to build relationships through out the city, and to understand the real issues facing their communities.”