COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING

on

Bill 22-539, Boris Nemtsov Plaza Designation Act of 2017

on

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 3:30 p.m., Council Chambers, John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces a public hearing before the Committee of the Whole on **Bill 22-539**, the "Boris Nemtsov Plaza Designation Act of 2017." The hearing will be held at 3:30 p.m. on **Wednesday**, **December 6**, **2017** in Hearing Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building.

The stated purpose of **Bill 22-539** is to symbolically designate the 2600 block of Wisconsin Avenue, N.W. between Davis Street, N.W., and Edmunds Street, N.W. in Ward 3, as Boris Nemtsov Plaza. The designation would honor the memory and contributions of Mr. Boris Nemtsov, a Russian politician and opposition leader whose assassination garnered international attention in February 2015. The Embassy of the Russian Federation, located at 2650 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., fronts the proposed unit block designation. Typically, a symbolic naming is for ceremonial purposes and shall be in addition to and subordinate to any name that is an official name.

Those who wish to testify are asked to email the Committee of the Whole at cow@dccouncil.us, or to call Sydney Hawthorne at (202) 724-7130, and to provide your name, address, telephone number, organizational affiliation, and title (if any) by close of business December 4, 2017. Persons wishing to testify are encouraged, but not required, to submit 15 copies of written testimony. If submitted by the close of business on December 4, 2017 the testimony will be distributed to Councilmembers before the hearing. Witnesses should limit their testimony to four minutes; less time will be allowed if there are a large number of witnesses. Copies of the legislation can be obtained through the Legislative Services Division of the Secretary of the Council's office or on http://lims.dccouncil.us.

If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Written statements should be submitted to the Committee of the Whole, Council of the District of Columbia, Suite 410 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. The record will close at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 18, 2017.