

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare and approve as surplus the District-owned real property, formerly the Grimke School, located at 1923 Vermont Avenue, N.W., and 912 U Street, N.W., and known for taxation and assessment purposes as Lots 0827 and 0833 in Square 0361.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the “Grimke School Surplus Declaration and Approval Resolution of 2017”.

Sec. 2. Findings.

(a) The District of Columbia is the owner of the real property located at 1923 Vermont Avenue, N.W., and 912 U Street, N.W., and known for taxation and assessment purposes as Lots 0827 and 0833 in Square 0361(the “Property”). The Property consists of (i) an approximately 38,000 square foot parcel that includes the historic Grimke School, the current location of the African American Civil War Museum, and accessory parking, and (ii) an approximately 5,900 square foot adjacent parcel that is currently used as a parking lot. The historic Grimke School building is approximately 52,000 gross square feet.

(b) The Property does not have any necessary use by the District, and is no longer required for public purposes, because the Property’s condition cannot viably

34 accommodate a District agency use without cost-prohibitive new construction. The most
35 pragmatic solution for activating this site is to declare the Property surplus and dispose of
36 the Property for development.

37 (c) The District has satisfied the public hearing requirements of section 1(b-5)
38 of An Act Authorizing the sale of certain real estate in the District of Columbia no longer
39 required for public purposes, approved August 5, 1939 (53 Stat. 1211; D.C. Official Code
40 § 10-801(b-5), as amended by The Land Disposition Transparency Emergency Act of
41 2017, effective March 27, 2017, (D.C. Act 22-25)) by holding a public hearing on
42 September 18, 2015, at the Thurgood Marshal Center, 1816 12th Street, N.W., regarding
43 the finding that the Property is no longer required for public purposes.

44 Sec. 3. Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 10-801(a-1), the Council determines that
45 the Property is no longer required for public purposes.

46 Sec. 4. Supersession of the prior surplus declaration.

47 (a) This resolution supersedes Grimke School, N.W., Surplus Declaration and
48 Approval Resolution of 2015, effective February 2, 2016 (R21-0375; 63 DCR 1501).

49 Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.

50 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the
51 fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home
52 Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02
53 (c)(3)).

54 Sec. 6. Transmittal of resolution.

55 The Secretary to the Council shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its
56 adoption, to the Mayor.

57 Sec. 7. Effective date.

58 This resolution shall take effect immediately.