

Text of the Resolution of Censuring and No Confidence Vote of the Commissioner from 5C12

The final text voted on for this resolution was passed along to Scott Roberts by ANC 5C07 Commissioner Barrie Daneker:

This resolution passed at this past Friday's Committee of the Whole meeting.

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Whereas, the Commissioner from 5C12, has misrepresented herself to District of Columbia's Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP), which notified the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (OANC) upon receiving a request from Ms. Ransom. OCP not only discovered Ms. Ransom hadn't be sworn in yet; but also, ANC 5C had not had an office in many years. The request was denied, and the Executive Committee of 5C subsequently was notified of the incident by the OANC. The Commissioner from 5C12, allegedly stated she was a seated ANC Commissioner and requested office furniture and equipment to be delivered to her home address, (not an ANC office) under the auspices of having an office for the ANC, without the knowledge and/or consent of ANC 5C's Executive Committee or Committee of the Whole.

Whereas, the Commissioner from 5C12, has caused the Commission to waste funds, not once, but twice; by approving two "proofs" of business cards provided by the Commission. Each time the Commissioner has failed to take possession of the cards because they were "not to her satisfaction"; such actions are hereby condemned. *(Notation for the record: Let the record show not one other Commissioner has had an issue with the process of approval of proofs before the printing of such business cards in the history of 5C)*

Whereas, the Commissioner from 5C12, has in writing to the Vice-Chairman of ANC 5C; carbon copying the Committee; (thus making her statements public), stated what the Commission feels are racist and

bigoted comments, possibly violating the Vice-Chairman's civil and human rights; potentially committing hate crime; is quoted:

I really don't appreciate a white man, especially one who is gay, who gained his civil rights on the back of slaves & those of color who fought in the civil rights movement trying to control me or devalue my efforts. I am not a slave.

And quote: "Didn't I tell you that that I don't take orders from you"

Such language and verse is unacceptable and has no place in the business of this Commission, its members, nonetheless our Nation.

Whereas, the Commissioner from 5C12, has displayed consistent disregard, erratic outbursts and outlandish behavior causing unneeded disruption, most recently on the evening of May 6th, in which the Chair was forced to abruptly adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting; thus halting the ANC 5C's process and business.

Whereas, the Commissioner from 5C12, has over stepped her authority; SMD boundaries and has disrespected the Commissioner from 5C10, (by contacting Catholic University of America (CUA) directly) and has presented information in the form of a complaint to CUA about various issues; all without the consent of the Commissioner of 5C10, the Executive Committee or the COW.

Whereas, the Commissioner from 5C12, through her words, actions, and blatant disregard for the Commission, has failed to provide leadership in her capacity as the duly elected Commissioner of the Single Member District (SMD) of 5C12. The Commissioner's failure of leadership has caused the SMD 5C12's representation to be so diminished and severely compromised, to the point that it is almost invalidating; thus creating a lack of representation for that SMD.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission of 5C took formal action on this day in the form of: a "No Confidence Vote" and "Censure" of the Commissioner from 5C12, Ms. Albrette "Gigi" Ransom for the remainder of the term. This warning to the Commissioner from 5C12, Ms. Albrette "Gigi" Ransom is also thereby way of the Executive Committee and Chair, notified that if the behavior persist, the 5C12 Commissioner may also be stripped of memberships to any special and standing committees for the remainder of the term.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission of 5C takes this action, to ensure the citizens of the District of Columbia and with special consideration to the constituents of the SMD of 5C12, it is aware the Commissioner from 5C12, Ms. Albrette "Gigi" Ransom, has publicly shamed this Commission and failed SMD

5C12 in her leadership, behavior and her outrageous verse; thus possibility violating the civil and human rights of one our fellow Commissioners of ANC 5C.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission of 5C therefore will hold the Commissioner from 5C12, Ms. Albrette "Gigi" Ransom accountable and responsible for her actions. Thus, moving forward ANC 5C will enforce the by-laws of the Commission, including but not limited to the removal by way the Sgt of Arms, the Commissioner from 5C12, if such actions thus cause the Commissioner to be "out of order" or disruptive in the future.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission of 5C will afford the Commissioner from 5C12, Ms. Albrette "Gigi" Ransom, the opportunity at her liberty, to call a "Special"; properly public noticed; public meeting of the SMD 5C12 within 30 days, at an agreed to time and place in SMD 5C12 to answer the allegations set forth in this resolution. At the time of the special meeting, the Commission may elect to expunge, rescind or imposed further sanctions by way of amending and/or enforcing the bylaws.

Notation for the Record: In an opinion, from the Office of Corporation Counsel dated May 7, 1997

The ANC [may] try to persuade the commissioner to resign. Absent such a resignation, and assuming the commissioner continues to reside in the single-member district he or she was elected to represent, there are only two ways the commissioner can be removed from office:

(1) by being defeated at the next general election, or

(2) by being recalled from office pursuant to the recall process. A recall of an ANC commissioner may be initiated at any time during the middle twelve months of a two-year term. See D.C. Code § 1-1321

(c) (3) (1992). Thus, an ANC commissioner who was elected last November will become subject to the recall process starting in July of this year, i.e., six months after the commencement of the... two-year term of office.

Chair, Anita Bonds

Recording Secretary, Sylvia Pinkney