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Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie Introduces Two Council Resolutions Seeking to:

Protect Immigrants who are Beneficiaries of Temporary Protected Status and

Encourage the District of Columbia Government to Consider Race, Equity, and Social Justice as Fundamental Principles in Policy-Making

*Resolution calls on Congress to pass legislation that will protect beneficiaries of
Temporary Protected Status from deportation*

*Resolution asks the District of Columbia to join the Government Alliance on Race
and Equity, a national network of governments working to achieve racial equity
and advance opportunities for all*

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Washington, DC – Today, Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie introduced the following Two
Sense of the Council Resolutions:

Sense of the Council in Support of Legislative Action to Protect Temporary Protected Status Resolution of 2017

This resolution, co-introduced by the entire 13-member Council, seeks to encourage Congress to
pass legislation that will protect the approximately 300,000 beneficiaries of Temporary Protected
Status [TPS].

Upon introduction of this resolution, Councilmember McDuffie said: *“Temporary Protected Status shelters people from returning to their countries that are experiencing ongoing armed conflicts, environmental disasters, or extraordinary life-threatening conditions.*

The 300,000 people under Temporary Protected Status are our neighbors and community members. They contribute to our culture, as well as contributing approximately \$4.5 billion to our country’s economic growth annually. Congress should act so that the 300,000 people living in the United States legally under TPS protection can continue to do so.”

Sense of the Council on Establishing Race, Equity, and Social Justice Resolution of 2017

This resolution, co-introduced by the entire 13-member Council, seeks to encourage the District of Columbia Government to join a growing, nationwide network of municipal governments that are taking proactive steps to address the fact that, despite progress, there is still deep inequity along racial lines in the District of Columbia. This resolution seeks to advance fundamental practices for equity and social justice in District-wide decision-making efforts in order to increase fairness and opportunity for all people of color, low-income communities and people with limited English language skills.

With introduction of this resolution, Councilmember McDuffie said: *“This resolution encourages D.C. to implement a four year plan that will encourage the government to consider race, equity, and social justice as fundamental principles in policy-making and that will allow everyone in the District full and equal access to the opportunities for growth in D.C.”*

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