



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3E

**TENLEYTOWN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY PARK
FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS**

c/o Lisner Home 5425 Western Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20015

Resolution Supporting IONA Senior Services Request For Enhancement Funding to Install 28 Benches in Tenleytown

WHEREAS: IONA Senior Services has applied to the DC Department of Transportation Enhancement Funding.

RESOLVED:

ANC 3E supports IONA Senior Services in its application for Enhancement Funding to install 28 benches in Tenleytown, subject to considerations regarding placement. After the grant is awarded, IONA Senior Services will come before ANC 3E with a plan detailing the placement of the benches. Placement shall be determined in consultation with adjacent property owners and also with DC Cultural Tourism so as not to interfere, if possible, with the Tenleytown Heritage Trail.

ANC 3E recognizes the importance of walking in preserving the independence and well-being of the older adults in our community, and, in general, making Tenleytown more attractive to all pedestrians by giving them opportunities to sit and rest as they shop.

ANC 3E also recognizes that American University Park has one of the highest concentrations of individuals 65 years old and older in the city, and that the steep hill leading to Tenleytown from the west side between Albemarle and Brandywine is difficult for seniors to negotiate while shopping on Wisconsin Avenue. In fact IONA Senior Services has provided bus service to some residents of Friendship Terrace just 1 ½ blocks from Wisconsin Avenue. We support this project that will encourage and enable more pedestrian activity in Tenleytown.

IONA Senior Services is spearheading this worthwhile project, and we hope that it is selected for Enhancement Funding.

ANC 3E approved this resolution at its special meeting on July 30, 2009, which was properly noticed and at which a quorum was present. The resolution was approved by a vote of 4-0. Commissioners Jon Bender, Mathew Frumin, Sam Serebin and Lucy Eldridge were present.

Jonathan Bender
Chairperson