A RESOLUTION

20-578

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

July 14, 2014

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to declare the sense of the Council supporting religious tolerance in the District of Columbia.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Sense of the Council of the District of Columbia Supporting Religious Tolerance Toward People of All Faiths Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2014".

- Sec. 2. (a) The District is a city where diversity in all aspects of life is embraced.
- (b) Recently, advertisements disparaging Islam were purchased and displayed on WMATA buses.
- (c) These advertisements and similar efforts to promote religious intolerance within the District should be discouraged.
- (d) Approval of emergency legislation will allow the Council to express its disdain for such advertisements and other efforts to promote religious intolerance in the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3 The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Sense of the Council of the District of Columbia Supporting Religious Tolerance Toward People of All Faiths Emergency Resolution of 2014 be adopted on an emergency basis.
 - Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.