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Mr. Matthew Fogg National First Vice President Blacks In Government 3005 Georgia Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001-3807

Dear Mr. Fogg:

I am most appreciative that Blacks In Government (BIG) will consider a resolution to address the denial of equal voting representation in Congress for the residents of the District of Columbia.

While 82% of Americans across party lines favor equal congressional voting rights for D.C. residents, most Americans believe that District residents already enjoy the same rights that they have. If we are to move voting rights in the nation's capital, we must work together and with others who are willing to take our message to the country, where the people are already convinced. This resolution will help increase awareness of the District's plight and our efforts to correct this injustice.

Thank you and best regards.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Holmes Norton