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(Submitted by the Maryland/DC Alliance)

Resolution

Supporting Democracy in the District of Columbia

Whereas the Trump administration has caused D.C. to have the highest rate of unemployment in the nation and the administration has stripped collective bargaining rights from thousands of union members in D.C., its masked agents are disappearing D.C. neighbors every day, and its occupying forces are making it more dangerous for everyone to simply go to work; and

Whereas members of the current Congress have introduced more than 70 legislative attacks against D.C., and these stand-alone bills, resolutions, and appropriations riders all seek to change local laws in ways that would make D.C. communities less safe and make it harder to meet the needs of people who live in D.C., including seniors and retirees, and Congress is choosing to prioritize interference in D.C. rather than taking desperately needed action on health care, gun violence, ICE funding, and more; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Alliance urges members

of Congress to oppose every bill that attacks D.C., including voting against all bills currently moving through the legislative process as well as any future bills that undermine the power of D.C.'s local elected leaders; and

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Alliance encourages all members of Congress to reject all bills to extend the federal occupation period, and to do everything possible to withdraw federal law enforcement agencies and the National Guard from D.C.; and

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Alliance for Retired Americans will take into consideration a candidate for federal office's position on policy issues pertaining to D.C. as a factor in candidate endorsements; and

Therefore, be it finally resolved that the Alliance for Retired Americans endorses Statehood for the District of Columbia.