

# West End Citizens Association

Washington, D.C.

Boundaries: 15th Street on the East • Potomac Park on the South  
Rock Creek and the Potomac on the West • N Street on the North

June 16, 2020

The Honorable Jeff Marootian  
Director  
DC Department of Transportation  
55 M Street, S.E. – Suite 400  
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Director Marootian:

I am writing to ask for your help in not closing H Street, N.W. from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> Streets as included in yesterday's George Washington University (GWU) document captioned "Plan for Fall 2020" which was submitted to the DC Office of Planning and the DC Department of Health for review. Today, the Board of the West End Citizens Association (WECA) passed a unanimous resolution opposed to any closure of H Street, N.W. in Foggy Bottom.

H Street is one of only two 2-way streets south of Pennsylvania Avenue in Foggy Bottom. The other one – I Street – has a one-block break from 24<sup>th</sup> Street to 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and ends just before 20<sup>th</sup> Street. In contrast, H Street is the only two-way street which runs fully from 25<sup>th</sup> Street to 19<sup>th</sup> Street. H Street is heavily used by residential and commercial vehicles traveling both East and West in Foggy Bottom and by vehicles trying to avoid the dangerous Washington Circle. Previous traffic studies in the area evidenced how important H Street is to functioning traffic.

Thank you in advance for protecting the quality of life and livability in Foggy Bottom.

Sincerely,

/s/

Sara Maddux  
WECA President