

WASHINGTON, DC
MURIEL BOWSER, MAYOR

Proclamation



RESIDENTS' RIGHTS MONTH

OCTOBER 2023

WHEREAS, Residents' Rights Month is celebrated each October to raise awareness about the rights of residents in long-term care facilities and of those receiving care in their homes or communities; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme, "Amplify Our Voices," celebrates the long-term care community coming together to highlight their own stories; and

WHEREAS, the Nursing Home Reform Act of 1987 created national minimum standards for certified nursing facilities and resident rights; and

WHEREAS, more than 4,000 individuals currently live in District of Columbia nursing homes, assisted living residences, and community residential facilities; and

WHEREAS, the DC Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman empowers residents to resolve issues, to assert and maintain their autonomy, and provides long-term care program and service referrals:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE WASHINGTON, DC do hereby proclaim October 2023, as "RESIDENTS' RIGHTS MONTH" in the District of Columbia.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Muriel Bowser". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

