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Memorandum

To: All Councilmembers
From: Chairman Kwame R. Brown
Date: December 28, 2011
Subject: Circulation Emergency Legislation



I am writing to circulate the following emergency measure, at the request of the Mayor, for the January 4, 2012, Legislative Meeting:

- **Howard Theatre Easement Disposition Emergency Declaration of 2011**
- **Howard Theatre Easement Disposition Emergency Act of 2011**

The purposes of the legislation is to authorize the Mayor to grant an exclusive easement for a portion of the Howard Theatre backlot property, to the Howard theatre Development Group. The easement will allow for construction of a loading dock, trash storage area, and ingress-egress staircase in order to operate the Howard Theatre in accordance with the plans approved by the District's Historic Preservation Review Board for the first phase of the Howard Theatre development. The developer requires the right to construct and sue the Howard Theatre Backlot Improvements for the term of the Howard Theatre ground lease in order to obtain a certificate of occupancy for the operation of the first phase of this development..

This emergency legislation will ensure the Howard Theatre Development Group will be able to meet the scheduled April 12, 2012 opening date for the Howard Theatre, and the District's financial contributions to the project.

If you have any questions, please contact Megan S. Vahey, my Chief of Staff, at (202) 724-8792.

Attachments