***PLEASE VOTE!!! DCBOE Begins Mailing Ballots; Mail Ballot Drop Boxes Open Oct. 14; Early Voting Oct. 31-Nov.6; Election Day is Tues. Nov. 8th.***

Dear Neighbors,

My name is **Roberta Shapiro.** I hope to represent you, beginning January 2023, as ANC commissioner in the (new) **6A03** district. After 8 years of devoted service, **Phil Toomajian is retiring as our commissioner and has endorsed me as candidate for 6A03**.(Note: Due to the 2020 census, ANC districts have been redrawn as detailed in this link.)

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Advisory Neighborhood Councils (ANC) provide avenues for grassroots participation in important decisions made by city agencies on issues such as -- zoning, economic development, education, health/social services, public safety, liquor licenses, housing, transportation, the environment, and more. An ANC Commissioner also can act as a constituent services liaison to government agencies, especially in collaboration with city council members and their staffs.

***Endorsed by Retiring Commissioner***

***Phil Toomajian***

I would like to share a bit about me and the issues that I care about.

I am a retired from a career as a health care and not-for-profit manager and consultant. I’ve been vice-president of a not-for-profit teaching hospital, executive director of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Alabama, and of CommunityHealth, a Chicago-based free clinic. I’ve also held executive positions in several health insurance-related entities. I have a Masters in Public Health and also in a Masters in Business Administration.

Since my husband and I moved to DC in 2013, I’ve worked with not-for-profit entities, both as an employee and volunteer, including Capitol Hill Village, the Association of American Medical Colleges, Compass Pro Bono (a volunteer consultancy for non-profits), Good Neighbors Capitol Hill (refugee resettlement) and Washington English Center (as a volunteer ESL teacher.) I serve on our ANC’s Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ) Committee. I love the Hill, in part because it reminds me of the diverse and engaged Hyde Park community, in Chicago, where I grew up.

If elected ANC commissioner, some of my objectives would include:

* Communicating and listening to residents regarding key issues in our community, including public safety, transportation, health and social services, housing, environment and education.
* Encouraging development that supports diversity, equity, and the unique historic and residential nature of our community.
* Supporting timely and effective responses from DC government agencies and elected officials to residents’ concerns.
* Supporting grassroots efforts for DC statehood and protection of home rule.

I would be honored to have your support. If you have any questions about the elections, registering to vote, etc., go to: <https://www.dcboe.org/Voters/Register-To-Vote/Register-to-Vote?ref=voteusa_en>

Or, League of Women Voters: [Personalized Ballot | VOTE411](https://www.vote411.org/ballot?address=1002%20F%20ST%20NE%20Washington%20District%20Of%20Columbia%2020002)

If you would like to contact me directly, please email: <robertafor6a03@yahoo.com>**.**

**Roberta**