

March 3 2021

The Honorable Muriel Bowser
Executive Office of the Mayor
1350 Pennsylvania Ave NW
Washington DC 20004

CC: The DC Council Committee on the Whole, Chairman Phil Mendelson, Councilmember Kenyon McDuffie, Councilmember Charles Allen, Councilmember Brianne Nadeau, Councilmember David Grosso, Councilmember Anita Bonds, Councilmember Brandon Todd, Councilmember Robert White, Councilmember Mary Cheh, Councilmember Trayon White, Councilmember Elissa Silverman, Councilmember Vincent Gray, Councilmember Brooke Pinto, Director Shawn Townsend, Deputy Mayor John Falcicchio, Director Andrew Trueblood, Director Heran Sereke-Brhan, Director Angie Gates and Director Maryann Lombardi

Dear Mayor Bowser and Members of the DC Council,

COVID-19 has devastated DC's music community. Since it began, the pandemic has forced the closure of seven longstanding D.C. music institutions, six of them cornerstones of the local music economy who presented the jazz, R&B and soul musicians bearing the torch of D.C.'s legacy of Black music.

Most live music performances are not expected to resume until the final phases of reopening, and even then, public health precautions will delay the full reintegration of live music into daily life for months and potentially years to come. In this uncertain period, the continued survival of many legendary music venues — establishments that have supported our city's artists for decades and launched the careers of national superstars — is in question. If our administration and Council do not adopt a plan to allow venues to survive until the spring of 2022, a century's legacy of history and culture stands to be wiped out completely. The effects of these losses on the District's significant cultural economy could be catastrophic, and last for years.

Last winter the Mayor announced the BridgeFund to provide grants for Entertainment businesses. While this was a very good start, that covered some losses throughout 2020 more funding is needed to support the institutions till we fully recuperate from the pandemic.

The signatories below voice our support for the DC Music Venue Relief Act, a piece of legislation drafted by a coalition of music advocates, venue owners and approved by six current councilmembers. We ask that you co-sign this draft legislation and act decisively to preserve DC's vibrant cultural landscape.

The legislation calls for financial support of DC's music venues to help them sustain their businesses from October 2021 through May 2022. The act is designed to provide partial support not only to dedicated music venues, but also to the many small restaurants and bars

who play a crucial role in the music scene by hosting live entertainment frequently. (In DC, these establishments are sometimes more important to the livelihood of our city's resident musicians than dedicated clubs.) The former may be eligible for up to \$15,000 per month; the latter, up to \$7,500 per month. The bill includes detailed calculations for relief eligibility based on square footage and other relevant factors.

The draft text of the legislation is attached as an **APPENDIX** to this letter. We look forward to following up with your office directly to secure your support for this urgently needed step to ensure DC's continued role as one of our nation's cultural capitals.

The undersigned members of the music community support this draft legislation and call for new emergency legislation.

Listen Local First DC
Donna Westmoreland,
I.M.P./9:30/The Anthem/Lincoln
Theatre
Washington DC Chapter of the
Recording Academy
Von Vargas, DC Grammy
Chapter of the Recording
Academy
Christine Lilyea, Slash Run
Capitol Hill Jazz Foundation
Aaron Myers, Musician
CapitalBop
Jamie Sandel, CapitalBop
Sunny Sumter, DC Jazz Festival
Chris Grasso, musician
Dior Ashley Brown, DC Music
Summit
Shannon Gunn
Rochelle Rice
Jon Weiss, Union Stage and
Jammin Java, Babe City
Records
Lana Mahmoud, Union Stage
and Jammin Java
Union Stage
Nick Fontana, Pearl Street
Warehouse
We Act Radio, Media + Outdoor
Performance Venue
Pie Shop DC
Bill Spieler, DC9 Nightclub
Jammin Java
Babe City Records

Matt Singer, Marketing
Coordinator (DCJF)
Modi Oyewole, Trillelectro Music
Festival Co-Founder
Capital Fringe
Erik Bergman/Neighborhood
Restaurant Group/Snallygaster
DC Jazz Festival
Roy "Chip" Ellis, Howard Theatre
owner
Neal Becton, Som Records
Owner
Judith Korey
Diana Ezerins, local music
advocate
Miles Ryan, 7DrumCity
Emma Amiri-Ghaemmaghamy
Aerica Shimizu Banks
John O'Connor, Songbyrd Music
House
Sandra Butler-Truesdale, DC
Legendary Musicians
Chadwick Alexander, Songbyrd
Music House
Jen Lee, Union Stage and
Jammin Java
Jonathan Brindley, Union Stage
and Jammin Java
Peter Lillis, Union Stage and
Jammin Java
John P. Ferrell, Union Stage and
Jammin Java Production
Manager

Daniel Schwartz, Union Stage
and Jammin Java Production
Manager
Down in the Reeds Festival
Christopher Naoum, DC Music
Advocate
Emmanuel Clarke, Peace +
Happyness Inc
Davey Yarborough, musician/
WJAI
Ben Daniels, Union Stage and
Jammin Java
Torrey Sanders, Union Stage
and Jammin Java
Janon Costley, Bin 1301
Bobby Hill, Transparent
Productions
Mylie Durham IV, Growroom
Productions
Peter Serano, Rock'n Repair
Shop
Elizabeth Cannon, 7Drumcity
Caroline Phillips, National
Cannabis Festival & THS
Presents
Jessica F. Teachey, The
MusicianShip / The Wammie
Awards / Funk Parade
Anika Hobbs, Nubian Hueman /
The Black Love Experience
Jasmine Williams, 7DrumCity
Andrew Riblet, Comet Ping Pong
David Combs, Comet Ping Pong

Harry Schnipper, Blues Alley
Jazz
Mark G. Meadows, Jazz Artist
Ben Kibour, Jojo restaurant and
bar
CapitalBop
Jamie Sandel, CapitalBop
Kokayi
Nasar Abadey (SUPERNOVA)
Tone P, District Funk Records /
Universal Music Publishing
Sterling Anderson, (Steelosoul)
Brass musician
Songwriter/Recording artist
Sara Curtin, musician
Elena La Fulana, Musician
Graham Smith-White,
Musician/Owner The Infinite
Goodness
Reginald Cyntje, musician
Lauren Calve, Musician
Anna Harwell Celenza, Music
Professor, Georgetown
University
Jackson Sinnenberg, CapitalBop
Andrew Grossman, musician
Catherine Ferrando, Black Cat
Artis Moon Amarche, musician -
the Boundless Eclectic
Will Eastman, U Street Music
Hall
Melina Afzal, Palace Productions
entertainment LLC, sound
engineer- DC9 & The Pieshop
Margot Pien, music community
member
Adam Levin, Chuck Levin's
Washington Music Center
Angela Byrd, MadInTheDMV
Joseph Lapan, Songbyrd Music
House
Jenny Langer, ECE
Producer/Booking Agent and
Moonshine Society/The Ron
Holloway Band/The Honey Larks
Jess Eliot Myhre, Bumper
Jacksons LLC, musician
Layne Garrett, Rhizome DC
Jonathan Een Newton, Free Dirt
Records and Hamlin St. Diner

Kyrisha Deschamps, Honey
Groove Festival
Evan Sheres, The Concept Law
Group & Rock Creek Kings
Evan St. John, Virginia Attorney
& Rock Creek Kings
Jamal Gray, Independent
Practitioner
Yohan Ferdinando, Ten Tigers
Parlour & Short Eats
Ayanna Smith, PorchFestDC
DJ 2-Tone Jones, Co-founder
Shaoulin Jazz
Andrew Toy
Matt Brooks, SoFar Sounds
Artemis Thompson, Musician
Rudi Greenberg, freelance
music journalist
Dani Weymouth
Maryam Balbed, Jazz & Justice
Today
Aeron Premo, musician (Rose
Corps)
Krista O'Connell
Marc Eisenberg
Jennifer Kovach
Margaret Gilmore,
Molly Ruland, Heartcast Media
Mitchell Bass, 7Drum City
Joel E. Pomerantz, SAW
Meg Olson
Heather Shue
Jeanette Berry
Michael Haresign
Matthew Lehtonen
Nikhil Rao, 7 Drum City
Christopher Bulbulia, Sticky Rice
DC
Elizabeth Gaglia
Ariel Davis
T. A. Zook, Performer
Kristina Westernik
Anthony Hawkins
Reena Shukla
Stewart Bernard
Rhonda Coe
Thomas Kitchen, musician
Neel Singh, musician
David Mallen, Metro Music
Source, Innovation Station Music

Nicholas Marritz
Greg Bonsignore
Joan L Sapp, Jonas Dreiel
Productions
Jason Weiss
Adam Ashforth, 7 Drum City
Jenny Thomas, musician
Howard Rabach, Machine Room
Studio
Jason Altomare, Jack Funk
Matt Flickinger
Sheara Rivera
Melina Afzal, Palace Productions
LLC
Marty Atias, ATS
Communications
Logan, musician
Eugene I Fertelmeyster,
musician
Matthew Cha, DISQO VOLANTE
Stephen McKay, School of Rock
Bubba Sperry, Sperry
Entertainment
Andrés García, La
Colombopercutiva
Adrian Taylor
John Kerr, Hamlin Street Diner
Gena Photiadis, musician
Elijah Jamal Balbed, The JoGo
Project
Tom Liddle, musician
Cindy atlee
Travis Houze
Brian Galvin, PAVE
Kevin Lavezzo
Duane Gautier, Anacostia Art
Center
Bill Perry, The Public Option
Carolyn Crouch, Washington
Walks
David Murray, Georgetown
University
Graham Robertson, Aztec Sun
Rashad Polk
Sarah Cook
Jameson Rowe
Mike Sobel, Musicians
Stephane Detchou, musician
Tula Pisano, musician
John Kneip

Andrew Eade
Nina Goodman
Benjamin J. Harbert,
Georgetown University
Christopher Jordan, CHRYSIS
Entertainment
Sam Woodring, Mister Goblin
Anthony R DelDonna,
Georgetown University
Rob Orwin
Rick Massumi
Linda Stefkovic, Jazz & Justice
DC
Amita Vempati, Subcontinental
Drift
Matthew Hua, Georgetown
University
Benjamin Tufts, musician
Dr. Denise Conner
Donna A Fletcher, Archie
Edwards Blues Heritage
Foundation
Joanne Levin
Bruce D Silva, Washington
Music Center
Matthew Kirkland, Lightmare
Bryant "BeMo" Brown
Christian Mallett, musician
Cherie Latson
Anthony Amos
Julie O, musician
Peter Stehouwer
Shannon Gunn, Jazz4Justice
Mary Ho
Lisa Perez
Justin Cox, Atlas Brew Works
Courtney Burke
Cecily Bumbray, musician
Martina Dodd
Karin Runett
Sadie Gronigan, CapitalBop
Brian Settles, musician
Adrienne Gaither
Mary Baker
Barry A. Wilson, Barry Wilson
Studios
Olivia Mancini, musician
Nikolas Francis
Abe Mamet, musician
Ariana Harbin, musician

Troy Johnson
Rick Irby, musician
Mike Drayton
Ryan Fitzgerald
Hugh Downs
Schuyler Deane
James Zahniser
Daniel Friedman
Bryan McEntire
Jason Biehl, Change The
Narrative
Andrés Gallego
Nico Hobson, GoGoRadio LIVE
Jackson Grant
Alex Hamburger
Robin Hernandez, Crossroads!
Adam Morrell
Farida Aboulmagd
Donald Darang
Michele Campoamor
Meredith Simon
Jayshana Roper
Alison Huffman
Yvonne Tindal
Kiara Moneé Tolentino
Charles Boulton
Keely Hollyfield
Helene Prince
Riley Casagrande
Abdulfatah Masha
Paul Lester
Cortney Knight
Ethan Russell
Mathew Herrity
John Daise, musician
Laurel Halsey, musician
Karen Baker, Social Art and
Culture
Marcel Penzes
Elan Rubin
Brent Gossett, DuPont Brass
LLC
Olivia Bock
Raffaele Bossard
Antoinette Sooh-Jordan

Beth Sewell
Will Tober
Selena Benally, This Could Go
Boom!

Ian McColm
Ara Casey, This Could Go
Boom! Record label, The OSYX
(band)
Ezra Geissler
Amanda Reynolds
Anthony Brown
Lee Reber
Rhiannon Bell
AJ Hutchins, M4TR (musical act)
Anna Walsh
Michael Vetter
Aaron Shneyer, musician
Michael Gifford, Americans for
the Arts
Nate Shelter
Arielle Conti
Jade Weiss
Leah Hudson
Andrew O'Connor
Jack Kilby, Musician
Danna Thomas, Happy Teacher
Revolution
Ilaria Piovano
Adam Solomon
Greta Kaufman
Freddie Dunn Jr, musician
Dave Roubie, Tabard Inn
Samuel Hall
Maggie Menold
Kathleen Taylor
Emily Crockett
Claudia E Fabiano
Allie Heiman Ward
Kenneth Quinnell, Revolutionary
Exchange Productions
Keshav Swaminathan,
Revolutionary Exchange
Productions
Lester Wallace, Co-founder of
SHAOLIN JAZZ
Thomas Pipkin, Pipkin Creative:
event production, community
engagement, arts advocate
Katie Brewster
Benjamin Caprio
Nchang-Nwi Fon
Derek Torsani, 7 Drum City,
musician
Leila Rassi

Ben Mahler
Kirsten Bradley
Laura Escalante
Dominique Lee, musician
Kyrie Davis
Celeste Buccola
Joshua Friedlander
John P Hester, Union Stage
Colin Fox
Daniel Weingart
Erica Evans, Concertgoer
Laura Lucs
Laura Cooper-Martin
Neil Sauter, music consumer
Taisha Estrada, singer
Virginia Curtin, music supporter
Sara McGrath
Aaron D Cunningham
Eva Sanchez
Robert Andrews III,
Musician/Producer/Video Editor
Sean Kane
Alana Barry
Christina McEnroe
John Boland, musician
Kyra John
Anyu Silverman
Chris Moore
Elizabeth Burman McEntire
Nathan Hockey, musician
Andrew Koh, DC Music
Journalist
Alison Carney, recording artist,
songwriter, event curator
Lauren Algee, DC Punk Archive
staff/volunteer
Angela Estay, music educator
Jeremy Pinson
Madelyn Dutt, I.M.P. & 9:30 Club
Billy Grummer
Jeff Hollyer, Promoter
Rebecca Megginson, music
enthusiast
Charlotte Wood
Rob Parker
Julianna Friedman
Kristen Bartholomew
Emily Barber
Maggie Sauber

Arielle Klein, musician and music
lover
Elizabeth Bartlett
Matt Torres
Annemarie Baldassarre
Diego Ramos-Meyer, musician
Javier Valcarcel Oquendo
Tyler Reyes, musician
Greta Maras
Micah Morrison
Matthew McMullen, musician
Stephanie L Jones, musician/
advocate
Jordan Stovka, avid concert goer
Aubri O'Connor
David Epley
Samantha Webster
Erin Barnett, music teacher at
FCPS
Jasmine Gillsion, musician
Dmarcus Bright
Jason Nesmith
Linn Bumpers
Pamela Cristina Huber
Melinda Wilson
Lauren healy
Kate Moran, musician, Rainbow
Rock Band
Joe Kelsey
Meagan Collins
Sophie Krensky
Kevin Crandall, musician
Chris Martin, musician
Troy T, musician, producer,
educator
Spencer Leach
Jared Marshall, musician
Dylan Hyman
Matthew Berry, musician
Curtis Reaves Jr. , musician
Matthew Haney
Laura Tsaggaris, musician
Benjamin Melrod
Robert Coltun, Bossa Bistro and
Lounge
Malcolm Taylor
Sara Alipanah, music teacher,
former employee of Black Cat
Mykim Hang

Aaron Blosser, regular concert
goer
Alex Porteous, musician
Veronica Vela
Ashley D See, WFSU DC
Hannah Bernhardt, DC native
Bertha J McDuffie, RevEx
Leon Scott
Shawn Fisher, Washington
Improv Theater
Sophie Gengler
Alena Budd, musician
Tiffany Paniagua
Andrea Johnson
Joseph B Robinson
Marianna Jardim
Christian M Tauler, audio
engineer
Shanille Allo
Tseten Tashi
Joanna Pumple
Janae Brown
Jen Muething
Emilia Kawashima
Tricia Glaser
Ryan McGeorge, musician
Sophia Wilhelm-Demekas
Leah Izzett
Chandler Dang, music consumer
Rebecca Howel
Liliana Hertling
Dylan Shoemaker, musician
Nicole Reinhardt
Raquel Dominguez
Kandace Davis
Liliana Hertling
Conall Rubin-Thomas
Kaya Bennett
Michael Williams
Lindsay Flynn
Marie Lachance
Kirsten Hynson
Natalie Teasdale
Simone Baldwin
Emily Navarro
Maggie McGuire
Jordan Abramowitz
Michelle Briwn, Dumbarton
Concerts Managing Director
Megan Virginia Jurnak

Wyatt Kirschner
Meredith Ellison
Herb Scott, Capitol Hill Jazz
Foundation
Seamus Dowdall
Sarah Morgan
Destini Collins
Tyler Lamb
Claire Schwark
Jada Austell
Kevin Ruppenthal,
Mia Karimabadi
Christine Zimeklis
Hyun Sik Kim, music
photographer, writer for Capital
Sound DC
Ayda Lee
Kailee Boedeker
Griffin Durning, musician
Dylan Singleton, concert
photographer
Diana Liao, singer
Giovanni Naula
Nicolas Garcia, venue employee
Rawle Becerril, SiriusXM
programmer
Renee Sogueco
Paul Gancitano
Allison Kight
Edita Samson
Aimee Roberge
Brad Mundt, music fan
Rasheema McClain
Erica Klenicki
Jeremy Rubin-Thomas
Nicole Lim
Christopher Phillips
Lyndsey Romick, concertgoer
David Paradise
Michael Daly
Taylor Fontaine
Jennifer Lucas, Radio Show
Host
Joseph Patella, musician and
journalist
Nancie Thomas, concertgoer
Tracy Hollinshead
Kathryn Anne Jamolin
Elise Gilmore
Keri Stoeve

Amy Bos
Gabrielle Vera
Kathryn Randolph
McKennah Parmer, Graphic
artist
Lucy Hummer
Helen C Hennessey, Industry
worker for I.M.P.
William Washburn, musician
Jordan Rabinowitz, musician
Brendan Burkhart
Dante Orlandini
Natalie Parks
Eva Peterfalvy
Angela Yepez
Kelly Joy
Evan Dotas
Noa Schleifer
Stephanie Houk
Lauren Atha
Alexia Christian, musician
Ryana Ali
Sofia Carney
Ian Finnegan
Ari Klenicki
Tom McCarthy, musician
Mariya Feygelson, Pianist,
Vocalist (GMU, Mason Arts
Academy)
Alessandria Schumacher
Dara Bernstein
Michael Griffith
Roxanne Cook, DCPS music
educator, musician
Caroline Orr
Alicia Koetter
Emerson Wells
Zachary Whitlock, music
enthusiast
Brigid Morris, concertgoer
Tara O'Donnell
Taryn Zastrow
Gavin Miller, on-site event crew
lead
Phuong-Nghi Pham, From The
Top
Jenna Pekofsky
Tyler Garavaglia, musician
Nick Mann, Westminster Church

Alison Crockett, musician and
educator
Cindy Maksimow, social dancer
Arielle Bernstein
Matthew Tewksbury
Catharine Cardellino
Phillip Tousignaut,
photojournalist, writer
Dave Mosick, musician
Emilie Sommer, concertgoer
Joy Ford Austin, Arts and
Humanities Advocate
Iona Volynets
Gayle Harrod, The Gayle Harrod
Band
Paden Tranter
Alissa N Gittens, music
instructor
Nistha Raj Wright, District of
Columbia/ musicians
Chris Stankis
Sohan Ganatra
Michelle Alde, musician
Sharon Clark, jazz vocalist
Philip Cullen
Jacie Eng, vocalist
Jesse Kalavritinos
William Cook, photographer
Megan Dunn, musician,
Marketing for DC Music Summit
Sarah Blumenthal
Marissa Boyd, Music Journalist -
Bass Feeds The Soul & Festival
Squad
Alvar Mattei, Flying Feet
Enterprises
Tayler Weaver
Nathan Wilson
Michael O'Halloran, concertgoer
William McCormack, musician
Landon Paddock, musician
Philip Ravita, musician
Leona Montvillo
Hillary Morrison, live music fan
Ilsa Jentsch
Charles Weak
Keegan del Rio
Hannah Wilson-Black, open mic
musician
Isabel Anderson

Michael Harris, music patron
Cameron Bellini, musician
Brenda H. Jones
Christiana Drapkin , musician
Liv Sullivan
Nathaniel Frentz
Ben Afferton, music industry student
Ashley J. Cherry, manager
Jennifer Stewart
Nicole Holmes
Marissa McDonnell, theatre performer
Aaron Moore
JULIA EAGER, live music fan
Michelle Lee
Jenny Igoe, musician
Jack Bobley
Jonah Spiva
Drew Scull, music fan
Conor McCabe
Athena Carzon, musician
Anabelle Lombard
Max Giesecke, musician
Laurie Casey
Nissim Begas
Emma Hardim
Lauren Honesty
Jonathan Goller
Nathan Krieg
Karen Feret
Penina Meier-Silverman
Kate Tallent, artist
Maureen Andary, musician
Caitlin Corner-Dolloff
Drew Kulick
Thalia Patrinos, Luciole Liberation
Paxton Howe
Zayna Bakizada
Daniel De Leon
Michael Henry
Dan Bugos
Bobby Muncy, musician
Julia Cooke
Adé Samuel
Rebecca Kreps
Shannon Carney
Alyssa Burkhalter, musician
Holly Sims

Leslie Scott
Nhi Tan
Andrew Somers
Dawn Manning
Maggie Spire
Daniel Dye
Matthew Hellman
Ryan Phillips
Catherine Costello , high steel rigger, head rigger, staging supervisor
Kat Stefanik
Domenic Lewis, jazz musician
Harrison Douglas
Helena Okolicsanyi
Rachel Burkhalter, musician
Rhea Tucker, musician
Andrea Shirdon, concertgoer
Eli Blanks
Caryn Kuebler
Katherine Fielding, photographer
Ashley Jacobs
Nelson Cuellar, musician, producer
Donna Girardi/Reed, DC resident
Noah Clarke
Arkady Dolina
Dani Genci
Kimberly Shires, musician
Ciaran Kreidler
Gaby Garcia
Adelaide Kaiser, musician
Kymone Freeman, We Act Radio
Chloe Holloway
Anthony Piazza, musician
Caitlin Moore, concert photographer
Donna Gureckas
Brooke Delarco, producer
Deanna Pineda, musician
Alex Perez, musician
Luciana Rascher
Parris Groover, musician + producer
Christina Berry
Catherine Kozub
Carrie Holt
Kennith Kimery, musician
Elizabeth Ratcliff

Hailey Olson, performer
Mark Rogers, musician
Caroline Keir
Fiona Fedorochko
Clarisza Runtung, 7DrumCity
Kati Williams
Victoria Ford, Music Photographer
Aoife Leogue
Kristina Klassen
Lindsey Coleman
Daniel Tracey, musician
Ryan Leahy
Laura Catania
Sean Chalk
Tyler Jackson, musician
Stacy Baker, music patron
Christina McCoy
Amanda Munroe
Isaac Higgins
Caroline Morales
Vivienne Blouin
Belinda Shao
Anna Hargett
Jodie Lusaka-Kaberia, teen musician
Hannah Estopinal
Felix Aviat
Lynne Venart
Audrey Hayes
Bianca Benincasa
Sean Pickering
Heath Dungan
Rhys Leahy
Brenna Hettler
Jennifer Gindin, concert attendee
Jewel Mcfadden, The World Bank
Stephen Jackson, musician
Katy Hurston
Anastsia Sorokina
Derek Shiau
Jacqueline Ekdahl
Meghan Gifford
Brodie Riordan
Rachel Newstadt
Bart LaFaso
Michael Moore

Carol Lee Weiss, fan and supporter
Jason Griess
Hannah Yousefian
Gregory Psomas, music lover
Brian O'Neill
Laura Schwartz, musician
Rebecca Wilson
Miranda Hansen-Hunt
Anne Kerns, live event supporter
Mike Mills, musician
David A Berman
Terence Boes, musician
Tara Bretzfelder
Jessica Phelan
Lauren Bomgardner, dance artist
Melissa Lynch
Mike Fietkiewicz
Kate Lorio
Jennie Black
Eileen Lohmann
Stephanie Traub
Yulia Ivanova
Kelsey Desmond
Amanda Levin
Steven McPherson, DJ
Isabelle De Leon, musician, music instructor at 7Drum City
Lihan Lu
Scott Lane
Ryan Martini
Kristen Long, Black Masala
Christy Clark, fan
Jason Bernagros
Cathy DiToro, musician
William Knowles, musician
Ava Morgenstern
Kyle Grassi, concertgoer
Sarah Frazell
FUNDA CANLI
Michelle Shellers , vocalist/songwriter/producer
Ana McCausland
zack silver
Lesley Muldoon, fan
Melissa Stailey, audience
Maya Gold
Kelley Smith , music lover
Ria Murphy, musician
Tracy McClair, musician

Mollie Bates, fan
Cassi D, Fair Labor Association
Carlos Matta
Isaac Bloom
Rebecca Green, artist
Heather Godwin, musician, actress, host
Catherine Gomeringer
Melani Robinson, music fan
Leah Elliott
Logan Botts
Jerry Hergenreder, musician
Laura Shull-Chandler
George Billie
Kelsey Connelly
Matthew Lockard
Joshua Makela, A/V systems technician
Anne Clark
Sabel Harris
Carolina Mederos
Julie McCune, concertgoer
Douglas Ford, sound and lighting
Chris Battista, CMB Reggae Management
Lee Ann Carpenter
Allyson Jaffe, Co-owner of DC Improv Comedy Club
Doug Taphouse, music lover
Moses Jenkins
Shane Worth
Christian White, DC Improv Comedy Club
Michael Gordon, fan
Damia Torhagen, musician & fan
Spencer Davis
Mary Beth McLoughlin, spectator
Elizabeth Holdsworth, live music fan
Martin Hardee, music fan
Jason M. Long, patron
Andrew Boyd, musician
John Irons, fan
Marilyn Tomsic, supporter
MissJessica Denson
Lee Anderson, musician, producer, vocalist
Michelle Acton, musician
Brian Wiegand

Angie Chamberland, IMP employee
David Beal
donna snyder, open mic host
Sean Robinson, SevenFour Artistry, Chuck Levins
Rob Maher
marc reston
Rabayah Akhter
Michael Cleary
Evan Oxhorn, musician
Lenore Cohen
Daniel T Coleman, The Dubliner
Stephen Balazs, Rigger
donald williams, Artist
Craig Williams, WPFW Jazz Programmer
Antonio Peluso, 7DrumCity
Lauren Wright
Christine Jamieson
Tanya Surtees, Consumer
Sara Gibson
Donald Fillion
Valerie Fitton-Kane
Maija Rejman, vocalist
Elizabeth Paronett
Ekaterina Vasilenko
Judith N Macaluso, Music Consumer
Cory Bolden
Danielle Wells
Kelcie Glass, GIRLAAA
Ellida Parkee
Monica Servaites
Malusi Kitchen
Sandra Johnson, Production Management
Danae Payne
Willard Jenkins, Artistic Director
DC Jazz FEst
Tenbeete Solomon, GIRLAAA
Cara L Weikel, Patron
Nathanael Nelson
Charquinta McCray
Karuna Shinsho
Stephanie Dailey, Vocalist
Andre Ekani
Maryalice Giroux Viljoen
Erika Reign, vocal performer
Jaleel Brown, musician

Kenny Rittenhouse, musician
Mary Ferranti, Jazz Teachers DC
Carl David Farley,
JAZZRADIOdc
Iewis Valakos, music supporter
Jerrold Levinson, University of
Maryland
Stephen Rodkey, vocalist
Geena Vontress, performer
Abbey Judd, Venue/ Talent
Mgmt
Marcus Moody, musician,
manager
Chazz Stewart
Anthony L Thomas
Wynde Juliet Winston
Ronald Henderson, Event
Organizer
Rachel Torgoff
Amber Carter, Live Music Fan
Revathi Murthy
Rebecca Souther
David Saltzman
James Talbert
Adam B. Duffy
Carla Tevelow
Alek Petty
Stephen Crago, DC Jazz
Appreciator
Jacob Hutter, Producer,
Musician
Howard E Herrnstadt, BLAZZ
Band
Bob Gump
Sydney Snower
Andres Diaz, musician and
producer
James Fernando, musician,
music teacher
Patricia E Wolfbauer
Jason Miller
Robbie Champion
Tatiana R. Zaharchenko
Blair A. Ruble
Lee-Anne Gabrielli
Jeremy McLane
Caleb Nei, musician, REcording
Academy member
Elizabeth Ashby
Nicole Belanus, musician

Vito Lupo
Jason Reisch, musician
Eric Boucher
Stephen G O'Connor
Eric Zidar
Machele Irby
Jamal Gray, Independent
Creative
Tom Goldfogle, Manager
Paul Bailey, musician
Francisco "Fran" Vielma
Monique Sullivan
Amy Louttit, venue staff
Alexander Berti, musician
Dominic Burgess, musician
Joshua Jenkins, Washington
Jazz Arts Institute
Henry Arguello
Natalie Soroka
Christopher DiGilio, music fan
Brynne Burgess, Songbyrd
Matthew McDonnell
Robyn Bortz
Montserrat Alvarenga,
community member
Jeremy Ball, music fan
Mindee Pandtle
Kristen Hook
Amy Anderson
Amy Friedlander
Matthew O'Donnell, Rock Creek
Kings
Nikki Nichols
Nathan Gilbert DJ, DCPS
Natalie Ahearn, Musician
Tetiana Podoliako
J. David Ward, music law
student
Matthew Curtis, Musician
Chris Watling, Musician
William Carpenter
Deborah Goldberg,
Photographer
Stephen Wilkes, Midnight
Expression
Robert Klein, SAW
Steve Steckler, Asparagus
Media
Marguerite Bruce, singer,
songwriter, producer

James Woodert, FutureBandDC
Daniel Strauch, Business owner,
producer, manager
Sonia Alvarado
Joseck Asikoye,
musician/producer/manager
Thomas Rea
Eugenia Halsey
Adam Stein, Musician
Sagal Samantar
Rahul Kulkarni, Musician
Gabriela Pohl
Michel Nicolas Rivera, Gooneis
DJ Crew
Kiona Owens, Diversity Equity
and Inclusion Advocate
Rachel Kline, musician
Kiah Leigh Rhode
Tina Harvey
Junious L Brickhouse, Urban
Artistry
Alan Oresky, Musician
Jeni Blessman, Fatskeys,
Musician's promotion
Bill Duggan, Madam's Organ
Takeena Gipson
Kathy Richburg, Singer/Choral
Director/ Production Assistant
David Williams, music fan
Michele Rowley
Amy Saidman, Story District
Phyllis Domingue,
Singer/Songwriter
Dina Lewis
Scott Kline
Hugh Marsh, Irish Traditional
Musician
Laurie Bailer, concert goer
Joseph Brust, music supporter
Clifton Scher
Jefferson Ogata
Lanah Koelle
Brian Alpert, musician
Peter Richman, musician
Gary Sause, musician
Andrew Zielinski
Ken Collins, musician
Christopher Tracey
Jonathan Cohen
Scott Greytak

Raymond Weeden, Jr.
Michael Watson, musician
Elizabeth Layne
Matthias Hess, musician
Hannah Jaye, Band Leader
Hannah Jaye and the
Hideaways
Allison Rosenberg, musician
Toni Codinas, Board Member,
Washington Bach Consort
Maddie Grant, Sahara Dance
Donald L Hinshaw
Avery Sen, Co-Founder, Sen
Sound
margaret walker, supporter
Mary Connelly, supporter
Jake Arlow
Lisa White, venue talent buyer,
business manager, event
coordinator
Benjamin Kriegler
PJ Tabit, musician
Lizzie Peabody
Leslie Loudon
Rachel Levitin, musician,
producer, open mic host
Francis Howard
Mary Katelyn Koszycki, writer/
editor
Ryan McGranaghan
Jarrett Gilgore, musician
Sarah Yarashus
Lisa J Gilbert
Julian Berkowitz, Musician
Kelli Rademacher, actor,
freelance media artist
Justin Harbin, musician
Kimberly Gube
Elizabeth von Oehsen, musician
Tim Gibbob, musician
Badr Elbendary
Jordan Napier
Addison Williams
Dani Cardenas
Elizabeth Batina
Andrew Haskell, musician
Jenna Henderson, musician
Robert Gunter
Danny Silbert
Peter Blair

Vance Cunningham
Chris Pitocchelli
Shannon Jeffries
Michell Clark
Karen Kavanaugh
Jean Link, Gangplank Marina
Julia Adams
Nina Charness
Shannon O'Toole
Ronald Sun
Emily Reinas
Tyler Hohenstein
Christina Rogelio
Natalie Volk
Ciara Hockey
Ellison Farrell
Grace Coughlin
Anthony Lioon
Alison Munaylla
Daria Arzy
Monica Palacio, Candidate of
City Council
Karen Samy, WGTB Student
Radio
Mina Loldj
Luke Taylor, music lover
Rob Hart
Kelsey Shea, fan
Timothy Martin
David Brookshire
Philip Basnight, Broke Royals
Liz Rumsey
Abigail Hobart
Brian Fasani, musician
Shawn Osborn
Henry Knaack
Rasheed Shaw
Avalon Haas
james june schneider
TIBYRON QUINN
Anna Libman
Jason Jeffery
Maria Malagón
Keeli Telleen, musician
Lyndsay Webb, entertainer and
producer
Steven Stubbs, Weatherworm
(Band)
Jack Nelson
Yared Ghebreyohannes

Neil Sauter
Andrew Velez, Musician
Dani mccormick
Yvan Gelbard
Darrien Day, musicin
Eva Maier, service industry
professional
Tamara Kelly
Alison Scharman
Foley Santamaria, record label
owner
Patrick T Liddiard
Zachary Herriott
Tim Curtin
Alex Crisafulli
Annalise Reber, sound
technician
Cyndee Clay
Gates DePodesta
Heather Russell
Charles Pruett
Mark Sherman, musician
Star Johnson
Sean Reese
Lydia Barker
Randall Swindell, musician,
stagehand
Kimberly Martin-Mubasu
Kevin O'Neal, I.M.P.
Adrienne Nelson
Chas Foster
Erik Grimm
Jazzmyn Carter
Dziko Crews
David Stein, Musician, Producer,
Engineer
Tara Zandi
Ryan Merrill
Lara Larson
Christopher Sousa
Colleen Heller-Stein
Johnny Bailey
Leon Jackson
Adrienne Benson
Robb Dooling
Anna Connolly, musician
Angela Gentile
Robin Diamond, musician
Clifton Scher
Chris Pesacreta

Alexandra Valliere
Jessalyn Schwartz
Diriki Rice
Mary Alice Hamnett, musician
Benjamin Lazo, musician
Meredith Holmgren
Douglas Hartnett, DC business owner
April Bock
Nicholas Licata
Colton Padden
Jenny Frederick
Maria Gomez, teacher
Bridgett Bobowiec
Sandra Lawrence
Zack Keim, Musician
Alexander Lopez
Brian Boughton
Kelly Aguirre
mela pela
Ana Gonzalez
Catherine Powars
Nnenna Okona
Samantha Hunter
Aidan Rodeschin, performer producer
Hana Eid, musician
LaVenia Johnson, activist
Merith Basey, UAEM
Patrick Frank, musician
Gonzalo Altuna, recording artist
Erica Rosa
Kristina Biggs
Nicholas Moreland, photographer/ producer
Garet Beane, MusicianShip
Tatiana Kolina, sPACYcLOUd
Bianca Conteh
Kush Patel, manager
Malik Affortu, 9:30 Club
Julia Kang
Aaron Francis
Sam Lorenzo , Artist
Takai Young
Christopher Peli, local musicians and label owner
Brayden Herum
Cassandra Hetherington
Moniyah Loving, collective
Soraya Abdulkadir , musician

Sara Schwartz
Theodros Alemu
Tarieke Grant, Luxury Music Group A/R
Erika Tarawallie
Matthew Blair
Metin Toksoz-Exley
Arthur Hollins, Musician
Nyame-kye Kondo, Meche Korrek Music
Dylan Miller
William H. McKenna, BBC News
Julia Marks
Erik Rodriguez, Musician
Menna Kassa
Kameron Henson
John Fleming
Kelsey Michael
Steve Korn
Ernest Douglas, Musician
Jorden Teamer
Denver Delaney, Founder Black Magic Record Label
Keith Lawson
Gregory Smith, Musician
Reginold James
Chris Lewis , musician
Anthony Kelley, musician
Mariel Garcia
Deshawn La-Haupt
Richard Seymour, musician
Akosua H
Blake Powell, Artist
David White
Stef Dinn
Ishmail Mustapha , Musician
Rachael Black
Willis Goldbeck, Capitol Hill Jazz Foundation Board of Directors
Candice Bostwick, Vocalist
Masongo Ogora
Salma Chakri
Daniel Kehoe
Erin Dugan
Michael Skorny, Musicians and concert goer
RACHEL UNKOVIC
Ellis Finn Osen
Rachel Bohlen
AYOTEMI, Musician

Lauren chan
Enanu Gerima
Christopher Bulluck
Tim Thoms-Cappello
Aidan howard
Tari Caldwell
Teddy Okpala, Producer
Madona Tyler LeBlanc, Radio Programmer
John Frommelt
John McCants, Lake Arbor Records
Jacob Patterson-Strin
Hoda Pahlavani
Christine Shen
Alexandria Harz
Laura Lucas
Brian Graham
Andrew Merluzzi
Lamin Manjang
Cheri Mac
Sara Wanous
Mari Field
Janis Brown
Melissa Andrew
Shawnese Whitaker-Green
Tucker Landry
Christian varela
Jenae Michelle
Kristen Robinson
John johnson
Andrew Valenti
Chendan Yan, World Resources Institute
Dennis Skocz, Capitol Hill Jazz Foundation
Lauren Pepe
Gerhard Graml, Musician
Alfred Wright, Producer/ Musician
Michael Loria
Dontee lawrence, Musician
Loron Flemimg
Bushra Bani-Salman
Matthew Frink
Erica Owusu
Tim Lake
Branndon Marshall
David Dell'Isola, Artdei
Price Holman

Amanda Titus
Diane Albrecht
Carter Rawson, Rhizome
James S. Adams, musician and
curator (QUEERING SOUND)
Amber Moore
Jessica McLaughlin
Brendan Smith
Alex Gordon XTSR (Towson
University Radio)
Olivia Weise, Black Cat Staff
Ebony Randolph
Tim Bladon
Clarisa Sepiarsky
Rory Thomas
Andrew Grant, Eaton DC
Maria Cecilia Zea, professor
Irani Escolano
Kirsten Goldberg
Robert Moses
Jay Salpekar
Mathias Van Regemortel,
musician
Michael Hughes
Jack Irby, Musician
James Page
Martha assefa
Florence chamberlin
Julian Curry
Andrea Johnson
John Keith, musician
Daniela Fraga-Abaza
Kim Dickens
Maya Khuzam
Eric Roberts, Musician
Kade Byrd, Musician and
Producer
Shanta Nicholson
Naia Lee-Hendricks
Lance Ashè

Dante Sapp
Janet Hall
De'Anthony Johnson
Angela Allison
Natalia Mushegian
Marlene Manzo
Allison Wright
Abigail Hobby
Maureen Donaldson
Jennifer Errick
Emma Strother
Ron M Barron
Brian Griffey
Marc Minsker, Radio DJ on
WOWD
Kate Roetzer
Paige Brewer
Jason Gillespie
Jonathan Camp, musician
Eva schwarz
Alexander Ostrovsky, musician
Gabrielle Little
Jon B. Youngs
Gloria Nauden , Capital Bop
Morgan Clinton, Events Director
John Ackerly, Musician
Samantha Contrino, Artist
Lane Giardina
Kris Roth
Jeriel Johnson , The Recording
Academy
Brenda Jones, 8Advocate
Adrianna Margaret Amari,
musician
Artise fletcher
Laura Lanigan
Sam Reddick
Rafael Seward, Chuck Levins
Washington Music Center
Kia Bennett, singer/musician

Anshia Crooms
Lena Chinchio
Benjamin Douglas
Christopher Weatherly, DCPS
TRACY MEEHLEIB
Luz Cervantes
Zachary Sumpolec, musician
Sydney Ramsey-LaRee
Kristin Smith Diwan
Heather Joseph
Adam Ross
John Murph
Warren Reed
Jay Mounteer
Manikandan, Producer
Jake Schaefer, musician
Craig Alston, musician
Simone Burchard
Bonnie Grier, Soulful Symphony
La' Portia Perkins, Poet, Singer,
Lyricist
Fanny Berger
Patrick Walker II
Jaden Riendeau
Roland Gutierrez, DC Labor
Chorus
Taylor Simonsen
Byron Brown
Anna Brush
Joseph Knisely
Gavin Laughland
John Michael VanSant, musician
and producer
Troy Isreal
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Gwendolyn Reece
Evgeny Bisk, musician

APPENDIX - BASIC DRAFT LANGUAGE OF THE LEGISLATION

Washington DC Music Venue Relief Act 2021

We propose that the District Government form a relief fund for District music venues and businesses which significantly feature live music.

MUSIC VENUES:

Businesses which are primarily music venues will receive the following monthly funds throughout the fund's existence (from October, 2021 through May, 2022), with a maximum monthly award of no greater than \$15,000 per month:

Venues with a total size of under 2500 square feet: \$3.85 per square foot per month

Venues with a total size of under 5000 square feet: \$2.50 per square foot per month

Venues with a total size of over 5000 square feet: \$1.90 per square foot per month

(If a venue falls in a higher size category, the payout can't be less than the highest amount in the lower tier category. Using that as a base until you surpass that number according to size.)

MUSIC PRESENTERS:

Businesses significantly featuring live music, "Music Presenters," will receive the following monthly funds from October, 2021 through May, 2022, with a maximum award of no greater than \$7,500 per month according to the scale provided under Music Venues.

Definitions:

- A business is a Music Venue if it holds a; Nightclub, Multipurpose Facility, Tavern license or any other license with an entertainment endorsement that fairly compensates live music 48 hours a month.

-Venue size is determined by the square footage of space leased or owned by the music venue and used for the purposes of the music venue, and includes areas open to the public as well as areas used for other purposes related to the operation of the venue.

- A business is a "Music Presenter" if Food and Beverage sales account for over 50% of its gross annual receipts in accordance with a Restaurant License and it hosts fairly paid live performances by musicians for a minimum of 48 hours per month.

- A 501c3 Not for Profit Organization is eligible for status as a venue/presenter if they pay property tax or lease/rent on the space they use as a venue for presenting.