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32 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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37 To amend the District of Columbia Flag Adoption and Design Act to allow individuals to
38 purchase a flag that has been flown at the John A. Wilson Building to commemorate
39 a special occasion or to honor an individual or group, to require the Secretary of the
40 District of Columbia to issue an accompanying authentication certificate, and to
41 require the Secretary to develop a process, form, and fee.

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43 BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That
44 this act may be cited as the “Commemorative Flag Request and Statehood Fund
45 Amendment Act of 2015”.

46 Sec. 2. The District of Columbia Flag Adoption and Design Act of 2002, effective
47 March 25, 2003 (D.C. Law 14-237; D.C. Official Code § 1-152), is amended by adding a new
48 section 5a to read as follows:

49 “Sec. 5a. Commemorative flags.

50 “(a) An individual may request a District of Columbia flag to be flown at the John A.
51 Wilson Building to commemorate a special occasion or to honor an individual or group.

52 “(b) After the flag has been flown, the Secretary of the District of Columbia shall
53 issue to the individual who made the request the flag and a personalized certificate
54 authenticating that the flag was flown at the John A. Wilson Building on a specific date.

55 “(c) The Secretary shall:

56 “(1) Develop a process and form for commemorative flag requests, which shall
57 include an option to donate to the New Columbia Statehood Fund, established pursuant to
58 section 32 of the District of Columbia Statehood Constitutional Convention Initiative of
59 1979, effective May 2, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-271; 62 DCR 1884); and

60 “(2) Establish a fee that covers the cost of the flag and the certificate.”.

61 Sec. 3. Sec. 32(b)(1) of the the District of Columbia Statehood Constitutional
62 Convention Initiative of 1979, effective May 2, 2015 (D.C. Law 20-71; 62 DCR 1884) is
63 amended as follows:

64 (a) Subparagraph (C) is amended by striking the period and inserting the
65 phrase “; and” in its place.

66 (b) A new subparagraph (D) is added to read as follows:

67 “(D) Donations accepted by the Secretary of the District of Columbia,
68 pursuant to section 2 of the Commemorative Flag Request and New Columbia Statehood
69 Fund Amendment Act of 2015, introduced on June 2, 2015.”.

70 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

71 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
72 impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
73 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

74 Sec. 5. Effective date.

75 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
76 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional
77 review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved
78 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the
79 District of Columbia Register.