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Anti-dumping of residents at Harvard Towers.

Passed by four to one vote at the legally noticed, public meeting of August 1, 2006, with a quorum present.

ANC1D asks that the Mayor's Office on Aging, the DC Housing Authority, and the DC Department of Health assure that residents assigned to live in Harvard Towers be monitored to assure their ability for independent living.

Specifically:

1] DCHA establish an evaluation program that is certified as representing best practices in the USA's top twenty cities by an expert outside contractor engaged by the Office on Aging. This program should be in place by October 1st, 2006.

2] All residents of Harvard Towers within one year be evaluated to assure their physical and mental ability in actual practice of independent living.

3] Thereafter, on a rolling basis but with intervals no longer than two years, each resident must be tested and their ability certified.

4] Those who fail the tests in 1] and 2] above may, at the discretion of DCHA, be kept and retested within six months; those who fail again must be reassigned to an assisted living situation within 30 days after the initial six months.

Why: Residents have reported at neighborhood meetings that there have been numerous fires and resident-on-resident abuses. Much of this is reported to be associated with the weakened condition of a portion of residents.