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## **Councilmember Muriel Bowser will pass out free Metro SmartCards and conduct a walking tour of Brightwood Heritage Trail on Monday for Car Free DC Day**

(Washington, DC) – On Monday, September 22, the District of Columbia will celebrate its second annual Car Free Day. Over 1,500 cities around the world hold car free events, including many in the United States. The goals of "Car Free DC Day" are to encourage the use of sustainable modes of transportation and to raise environmental awareness about the impact of cars on the overall quality of life. Car Free DC Day is an opportunity to see how your neighborhood might look and work with a lot fewer cars.

Ward 4 Councilmember Muriel Bowser encourages neighbors to participate in Car Free DC day in the many ways that are available. The Councilmember will be participating in Car Free DC in two ways:

- 1) To encourage people to use Metro Bus, Councilmember Bowser will be handing out **FREE** SmartTrip cards loaded with \$1.25 each for one bus ride to passengers riding the Metro Extra Bus Route 79 and also the Metro Bus 70 and 71 routes at Kennedy and Georgia Avenue, NW at 8:30 AM, and
- 2) To illustrate the treasures you can see when out walking, she is hosting a walking-tour of the new Brightwood Heritage Trail that was unveiled in August. We won't have time to walk the whole trail but please join us at 5:30 PM on the west side of Georgia Avenue in front of the Emery Recreation Center at 5701 Georgia Avenue, NW near one of the 18 poster-sized street signs that comprise the trail. We will have a guided tour of a few of the storyboards and will end up around 7 PM at the new Brightwood Bistro at 5832 Georgia Avenue, NW (corner of Georgia and Missouri) where they will offer drink and appetizer specials for participants. All participants of the walk will receive a **FREE** Car Free DC t-shirt.

Please visit [www.carfreemetrodc.com](http://www.carfreemetrodc.com) for more information.

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