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Ward 4 Councilmember Muriel Bowser congratulates Sister Space and Books and Gateway Georgia Avenue on new bookstore

(Washington, DC) – Ward 4 Councilmember Muriel Bowser, Faye Williams (owner of Sister Space and Books), and the Gateway Georgia Avenue Revitalization Corporation are pleased to announce that Sister Space and Books is opening a bookstore in Ward 4 at 7702 Georgia Avenue, NW.

Sister Space and Books is an independently owned bookstore with titles of special interest to African Americans, women, and the faith community. In addition to operating the bookstore on the ground floor, Sister Space and Books will have office space, writing workshops, and group literacy meetings on the 2d floor of its new leased space.

“This is great news for retail development along Georgia Avenue,” said Councilmember Bowser. “This new bookstore continues my priority to make Georgia Avenue a destination point for shopping and dining. Washington, DC loses about \$4,000 per household in retail spending by residents who shop outside of the city. Recapturing this spending is one of my top priorities because it will create greater conveniences for residents, more job creation in our city, and increase the tax revenues,” she added.

Ms. Bowser thanked the Gateway Georgia Avenue Revitalization Corporation for its work to recruit Sister Space and Books to the Upper Georgia Avenue corridor. “Gateway’s persistence in marketing the Gateway business district to prospective businesses, its superior ties to local property owners, and its relentless pursuit to make Georgia Avenue clean and safe, have helped bring Sister Space to Georgia Avenue,” she said. Marc Loud, Executive Director of Gateway Georgia Avenue, said “Good Things Are Happening on Georgia Avenue,” and “we are looking forward to working with Sister Space and Books and continuing to diversify retail along upper Georgia Avenue.”

A grand opening for the Sister Space site is planned for later this fall.

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