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Councilmember Harry Thomas, Jr.  
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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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To declare the sense of the Council on the need to temporarily halt activity on the 12<sup>th</sup> St. Streetscape Improvement in Ward Five to support the Brookland Community’s desire to explore placing all utility lines along this corridor underground to vastly increase the ability of this community to reach the best environmental and aesthetic outcome.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Sense of the Council on Exploring the Environmental and Aesthetic Quality of the 12<sup>th</sup> St. Streetscape Improvement Project”.

Sec. 2. The Council finds that:

(1) The Brookland Community held a rally on August 23, 2008 voicing their overwhelming desire to bury utility lines along the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor that currently present an eyesore to small business owners, patrons, and residents.

(2) The current status of the utility lines prevents the possibility of having healthy trees lining the streets providing an aesthetically pleasing and environmentally important canopy.

(3) The Council has already appropriated sufficient funds to explore the possibility of burying the utility lines for this project.

Sec. 3. It is the sense of the Council that the 12<sup>th</sup> St. Streetscape renovation in Ward Five be temporarily paused to fully explore placing the utility lines along the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor underground.

Sec. 4. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the Mayor

Sec. 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.