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Evans Applauds Restoration of Sunday MLK Library Hours *Important Community Needs Will Continue to be Met*

Washington, DC – Councilmember Jack Evans today applauded the efforts of Mayor Vincent Gray and Councilmember Tommy Wells to restore Sunday hours at the District’s central library.

“Sunday is one of the busiest times at the library and a day when residents from across the city come for various types of programs and assistance,” said Evans. “During tax season, MLK library is a popular site for free tax preparation services. Had it been closed on Sundays, hundreds of District residents would miss out on this vital service.”

Community Tax Aid, a non-profit organization that provides free tax preparation services for low-income District residents estimates that that had MLK been closed on Sundays, 500 fewer clients would be served each year. As a result, 20% fewer residents who normally come for tax assistance would likely file their income taxes.

“Above all, we must stay committed to providing our residents with basic city services,” Evans said. “This is step in that direction.”

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