## **RESOLUTION 10-32**

TO ADOPT AS FINAL REGULATIONS AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 8100.2, CHAPTER 81 OF TITLE 14 OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS TO CLARIFY FREQUENCY OF HQS INSPECTIONS UNDER THE HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 6-203(19) of the District of Columbia Housing Authority Act of 1999, as amended (the "Act"), empowers the District of Columbia Housing Authority ("DCHA") to adopt and implement administrative procedures in compliance with District of Columbia's Administrative Procedures Act; and

WHEREAS, under the Act, DCHA's purposes include governing public housing, implementing the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, and providing decent, safe and sanitary dwellings and related facilities for persons and families of low-and moderate-income in the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, DCHA administers the Housing Choice Voucher Program pursuant to the U.S Housing Act of 1937, as amended, and implementing regulations of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and certain other rent assistance programs in the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, Section 8100.2 of Chapter 81of Title 14 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations sets forth provisions governing the housing quality standards ("HQS"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the federal regulations and the regulations set forth in 14 DCMR Chapter 8100, a unit must meet HQS both at the initial occupancy of the unit and throughout the term of the lease; and

WHEREAS, DCHA wishes to clarify the frequency of HQS inspections after the initial inspection; and

WHEREAS, proposed regulations were prepared to clarify that after the initial inspection, a unit must be inspected once during each fiscal year of DCHA which is October 1 through September 30; and

WHEREAS, the proposed regulations were presented to the Committee on Operations and published in the DC Register on July 23. 2010. DCHA has not received any comments on the proposed regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia Housing Authority that the amendment to Section Chapter 81, Section 8100.2 of Title 14 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, attached hereto, are hereby adopted as Final Regulations.

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ADOPTED, by the Board of Commissioners and signed in authentication of its passage the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

ATTEST:

Adrianne Todman

Interim Executive Director/Secretary

APPROVAL:

LaRuby May

Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Hans Froelicher General Counsel

## Attachment to Resolution 10-32:

Subsection 8100.2 of Title 14 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations is amended to read as follows:

8100.2 A unit must meet HQS both at the initial occupancy of the unit and throughout the term of the lease. HQS applies to the building and premises, as well as the unit. A unit must meet HQS as follows:

- (a) Newly leased units must pass an HQS inspection before the beginning date of the Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) Contract.
- (b) After the initial inspection, a unit must be inspected once during each fiscal year of DCHA, which is October 1 through September 30.

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