

Ward 5 Democrats
Statehood Committee Report
January 27, 2020

Statehood Legislation

HR 51: 224 co-sponsors

S 631: 35 co-sponsors

Next big step: Mark-up and vote in the House Oversight and Reform Committee. Date TBD but could be Valentine's Day. Vote in the full House sometime after the mark-up. Given the number of co-sponsors, HR 51 will almost certainly pass in the House.

DC Dems Statehood and Self-Determination Committee

- DC Dems have established a statehood committee
- Two weeks ago, Caroline and Noah attended their meeting
- Much of the meeting focused on the intersection of statehood and the presidential campaign now underway. DC Dems will work to ensure DC statehood remains a part of the Democratic Platform and is showcased during the Democratic Convention.
- Since the Ward 5 Dems were one of the first to establish a Statehood Committee, the Ward 5 Dems were asked to take the lead on "corralling" other wards to form Statehood Committees. Only Wards 3, 5, and 6 now have Statehood Committees.
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Upcoming Statehood Activities

We are still working to grow our Ward 5 Statehood Committee. If you're interested in becoming involved or want to be on our mailing list, please sign-up. Everyone is welcome!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 11th. We'll be writing Valentines for Statehood and sending them to potential supporters in the Congress and elsewhere. We'll be meeting at Caroline's house in Brookland at 6:30 PM. Statehood Dems from other wards will attend and will share information about things that they're doing to advocate for statehood. Light refreshments will be served. See flyer for more information.