



**Executive Committee**

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*Second Vice President*  
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*Co-Chair, Issues & Legislative Affairs*  
Karlene Armstead  
*Co-Chair, Issues & Legislative Affairs*  
Markus Batchelor  
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Barbara Jones  
*Chair, Programming & Special Events*

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**Elected Officials**

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LaJoy Johnson-Law  
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*At-Large Representative, SBOE*

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**To the Family of Karlene “Kay” Armstead:**

On behalf of the Ward 8 Democrats, we extend our deepest condolences on the passing of our beloved sister in service, Karlene “Kay” Armstead. As Co-Chair of our Issues and Legislative Affairs Committee and a long-time Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner representing ANC 8E in Washington Highlands, Kay was a fierce, vocal, and compassionate advocate whose leadership has left an indelible mark on our Ward.

Although she was a native of Charlottesville, VA, Kay’s commitment to DC’s Ward 8 community was undeniable and deeply rooted in love. Whether attending to neighborhood concerns or standing up for the voiceless in policy conversations, she worked tirelessly to uplift the lives of her neighbors—especially the children and families of Foxhall Place SE. She redefined what it meant to be a block captain and set a new standard for community leadership. Her dedication and diligence were unmatched.

To serve alongside Kay was to witness courage in action. She did the work—boldly and unapologetically—and ensured every voice in our community was heard. Her efforts to ensure Ward 8 was represented with excellence will remain a guiding light for us to follow in her footsteps.

On a personal note, I will never forget Kay’s sharp insights, fierce loyalty to our Ward, and how she energized every room she entered. Her passion, authenticity, and tireless spirit will be terribly missed.

We offer our thoughts and prayers to her family, colleagues, neighbors, and all who loved and admired her. May the legacy she built continue to inspire us, and may her memory be a blessing to all who mourn her loss.

With sympathy,

**Troy Donté Prestwood**  
President  
Ward 8 Democrats