

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MAYOR'S OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL
Freedom of Information Act Appeal: 2020-015**

January 28, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Ms. Jean-Baptiste

RE: FOIA Appeal 2020-015

Dear Ms. Jean-Baptiste:

This letter responds to the administrative appeal you submitted to the Mayor under the District of Columbia Freedom of Information Act, D.C. Official Code § 2-537 (“DC FOIA”), challenging the failure of the Department of Health Care Finance (“DHCF”) to properly respond to your September 25, 2019 FOIA request. In your request, you sought documents from DHCF regarding a nursing home located in the District of Columbia.

On October 23, 2019, you appealed DHCF’s failure to respond in a timely manner to your request for documents. On October 25, 2019, DHCF responded to your appeal by email indicating that DHCF had forwarded the requested documents to you on that day.¹ On the basis of that response, we hereby dismiss your appeal as moot. However, you remain free to file a new appeal if you are dissatisfied with the documents produced pursuant to the agency’s response.

This constitutes the final decision of this Office. If you are dissatisfied with this decision, you may commence a civil action against the District of Columbia in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-537.

Respectfully,

Mayor’s Office of Legal Counsel

cc: Kevin O’Donnell, Assistant General Counsel
DHCF (via email)

¹ A copy of DHCF’s October 25, 2019 response is attached to this email.