4 STEPS TO DC STATEHOOD

**Constitution**
- New Columbia Statehood Commission drafts Constitution
- Residents comment on draft constitution online, at Town Halls, and at Constitutional Convention (May - June 2016)
- New Columbia Statehood Commission integrates recommendations from public, finalizes Constitution (late June 2016)

**Advisory Referendum**
- DC Council considers constitution and prepares advisory referendum for November 8, 2016 election
- Council submits Referendum Resolution to Board of Elections by July 8, 2016
- Council may engage public in hearings on constitution and referendum

**Vote on Advisory Referendum**
- DC voters vote on Advisory Referendum, supporting statehood, constitution, state boundaries, and republican form of government (November 8, 2016)

**Referendum Results to President and Congress**
- Package of credentials for statehood presented to President and Congress (January 2017)

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