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As elected representatives of one of Washington's vital neighborhoods, we condemn the insurrectionists, some apparently armed, who invaded the U.S. Capitol today in response to the certification of the Electoral College results. There can be no justification for the mob violence, particularly when what was disrupted is the final step in a fair election and the appropriate transfer of power that that election requires.

Ours is a small, locally focused body, but, as part of a city that we share with all Americans, we are protective of our community. Many of our residents have done stints on the Hill so we have special reverence for the Capitol and the people who work in it, no matter their political affiliation. It is our house as well as the nation's and it is wrong that it has been violated.

While we do not presume to advise city and federal officials about how to proceed from here, we applaud those leaders who have condemned this violence in no uncertain terms. We hope that those who incited these terrible acts and those who participated in them are investigated and prosecuted to the full extent of the law in order to deter similar behavior in the future. We plead with leaders to ensure adequate security to protect the Inauguration in two weeks and, with it, our city and our democracy.

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