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Statement from Lori Furstenberg, Chair, DC Chapter, The Conservative Caucus, on the Stop DC CAMERA Act.

Washington, DC: The advancement of the Stop DC CAMERA Act by Congress represents an overdue conversation about accountability and transparency for residents of the nation's capital. For years, Washingtonians have faced an ever-expanding automated traffic enforcement system that now includes more than 500 cameras across just 61 square miles, (roughly 8.2 cameras per square mile) generating approximately \$267 million in fines in 2025 alone. At the same time, residents increasingly question the visible decline in traditional police presence and proactive enforcement.

These cameras were presented to the public as a safety measure tied to the District's Vision Zero initiative, with assurances that collected revenue would be reinvested directly into street safety and health mobility improvements, safer infrastructure, and student protection programs. Instead, significant portions of that revenue have flowed into the District's general fund, functioning less as the promised investment and more as a convoluted government revenue stream.

When government programs generate hundreds of millions of dollars annually while promised funds are blindly redirected, the public should be highly concerned. Congress, which holds constitutional authority over the District, is right to ask whether these policies are truly serving the stated objective, or something else entirely.

This concern underscores exactly why I have advanced DC DOGE, an independent accountability initiative designed to expose waste, audit major revenue programs, and restore fiscal discipline within the DC government. The goal is straightforward: an accountable government where every dollar collected serves residents and is fully transparent.

The Stop DC CAMERA Act is not simply about traffic cameras. It is about restoring confidence that government policies match their stated purpose.

Before the District asks residents for another dollar, the city must fully account for the hundreds of millions it already collects. That is why DC needs DC DOGE.

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