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No In-Person Halloween Gatherings in Georgetown's Commercial District This Year *Virtual Celebrations Welcome; Restaurants and Shops Open*

Washington, D.C. (October 20, 2020) - The Georgetown Business Improvement District announced today that, consistent with guidance from the DC Health Department, there will be no in-person Halloween gatherings in the Georgetown commercial district this year.

"The only masks we want to see this month are ones that prevent the spread of COVID," said Joe Sternlieb, President & CEO of the Georgetown BID. "There are many alternative ways to still celebrate Halloween - both virtually and in spirit - but there are no in-person Halloween activities or events supported in Georgetown this year.

"Public health and safety is our number one priority, and large groups may not gather at this time. If you'd still like to celebrate Halloween, Dumbarton House is hosting a virtual Spirits of Georgetown tour, you can get takeout from a Georgetown restaurant and watch *The Exorcist* from your couch, or visit Georgetown earlier in the month to view the Halloween decorations at Washington Harbour."

Most Georgetown restaurants and shops will still be open on Halloween. Visit georgetowndc.com for a full business directory. For more information on Halloween in the District, visit [DC Health's Halloween Guidance](#).

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About the Georgetown Business Improvement District

The Georgetown Business Improvement District (BID) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting and enhancing the accessibility, attractiveness and overall appeal of Georgetown. Established in 1999 by its property owners and merchants, the Georgetown BID has more than 1,000 members. The organization is located in the heart of Georgetown in Washington, D.C. and sets a standard of excellence in preserving historic charm while meeting contemporary needs. From marketing and special events, to transportation, economic development, placemaking and streetscape, the Georgetown BID contributes to the vitality and quality of life in Georgetown. For more information, visit georgetowndc.com.