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*To Washington, DC*

*The International Franchise Association*

*17<sup>th</sup> Annual International Franchise Expo*

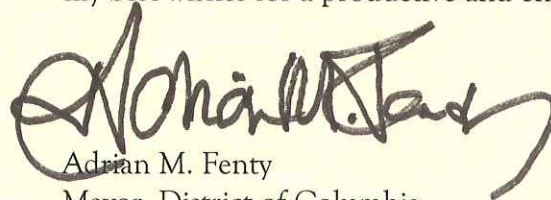
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As Mayor of the District of Columbia, I am pleased to extend a warm welcome to the International Franchise Association, on the occasion of your International Franchise Expo.



The International Franchise Association is sponsoring this event to provide information to members, franchisees and potential small business investors and showcase franchise concepts. As you take this moment to reflect on your past accomplishments, I extend an invitation for each of you to experience our night life, eat in our restaurants, and visit our monuments, museums and diverse neighborhoods.

On behalf of the residents of the District of Columbia, you have my best wishes for a productive and enjoyable event.



Adrian M. Fenty  
Mayor, District of Columbia