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**Mayor Bowser Announces Architect Chosen
to Design the District's New Archives Building**

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) – Today, Mayor Muriel Bowser announced that an architectural firm has been chosen to design a new state-of-the-art District of Columbia Archives building. The Department of General Services (DGS) selected Hartman-Cox Architects and EYP of Washington, DC to design a new facility to house the District's historic records.

“The selection of Hartman-Cox Architects and EYP of Washington, DC will allow us to continue to move forward with the design of the new Archives building, a facility that holds some of our most treasured historical documents. I look forward to seeing the designs unveiled as we continue this exciting journey that all of our residents can benefit from,” Mayor Bowser said.

The District of Columbia Archives, located at 1300 Naylor Court, holds the District government's historical and permanently valuable records, including birth and death records, wills, land and marriage records. Historic records on file include the original wills of Alexander Graham Bell, Francis Scott Key, James Madison, Dolly Madison, Woodrow Wilson, Oliver Wendell Holmes and Frederick Douglass, and the birth certificate for Duke Ellington.

DGS and Hartman-Cox will be partnering with the Office of the Secretary and other stakeholders to develop the necessary program requirements and design for the new 21st-century Archives facility. The proposed 90,000 square-foot facility will provide the Archives with record storage space, preservation labs, research, exhibits, and space for public service functions.”

The new Archives building will be designed to achieve, at a minimum, LEED–Gold Certification.

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