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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Attn: Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 22-0101R – Informational Hearing – Mayor's Recommendations – 30 Day Review of Strategies to Eliminate Vacant and Abandoned Properties

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Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 22-0101R for form and legal sufficiency. It is for the purpose of inviting the City Administrator, the Deputy Mayor for Community and Economic Development, the City Solicitor, the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Director of Finance, and the Director of the Department of Public Works to appear before the Baltimore City Council to present the findings and recommendations of the Mayor's 30 Day review for eliminating privately and publicly owned vacant and abandoned properties.

A resolution is an appropriate way for the City Council of Baltimore to conduct an informational hearing. *See, e.g., Inlet Assocs. v. Assateague House Condominium,* 313 Md. 413, 428 (1988). Therefore, the Law Department approves this Resolution for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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