October 15th, 2022

The Honorable Zeke Cohen Baltimore City Council City Hall 100 N. Holiday Street, Suite 500 Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: Rezoning of 1419-1431 Bank Street and 409 S Spring Street

Dear Councilmember Cohen:

Please accept this letter of support of the rezoning of the vacant parcels at 1423-1431 Bank Street, and vacant storefront building at 1419-1421 Bank Street, and improvements at 409 S Spring Street (the "Properties") to the C-2 Zoning District.

This rezoning is aligned with the mission of the Douglas District to be a world class neighborhood in Baltimore. It supports our vision for :

A diverse and dense mixture of people and a robust combination of residential and thriving commercial enterprises to: house, employ, serve and engage the local and visiting populations.

We, The Douglass District Community, met with Jimmy Edgerton, who shared his plans to redevelop the Properties. We understand the C-2 zoning map designation would allow for a greater mix of uses on the Properties. In response to one potential concern raised, Mr. Edgerton agreed NOT to use the Property as a health-care clinic and that he would read this agreement into the record during the hearing on the rezoning.

The response from the 18 people present was overwhelming support. We unannomously agreed t support the re-zoning. Even better, there was lively and excited conversation on what the future of this vacant block might become. We look forward to supporting Mr Edgerton and his team's efforts.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. <u>sgburkholder@gmail.com</u> or 443.801.5220

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Scott Burkholder, Douglass District Community Organizer