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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 22-0301 – Sale of Property – 844 Roundview Road

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 22-0301 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property known as 844 Roundview Road (Block 7622; Lot 002), which is improved by the former Patapsco Elementary/Middle School. The property is no longer needed for public use.

Article V, Section 5(b) of the Baltimore City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to arrange for the disposition of any building or parcel of land no longer needed by the City for public use, if that sale is authorized by ordinance and approved by the Board of Estimates. Assuming the agency reports reveal that the property is no longer needed for public use, this is the appropriate ordinance to authorize disposition of the subject property. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

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