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

Re: City Council Resolution 22-0136R Informational Hearing – Status of Municipal ID Program

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Office of Equity and Civil Rights (OECR) has undertaken a comprehensive review of City Council Resolution 22-0136R. This resolution aims to invite a range of city government stakeholders to receive a status update on the progress and implementation of the Baltimore City Municipal ID Card Program. While the Office of Equity and Civil Rights fully endorses the overarching goals and objectives of this legislation, it is important to clarify that our office does not possess any role or responsibility in the actual operationalization of the Municipal ID Card Program.

Our primary mission at OECR revolves around ensuring and promoting equitable treatment, civil rights, and inclusivity within the city. While we are dedicated to fostering a fair and just environment for all residents of Baltimore, our purview is centered on matters related to equity, diversity, and civil rights rather than the operational aspects of specific city programs.

We recognize the importance of the Municipal ID Card Program in enhancing access to essential services and promoting community inclusivity. We stand ready to collaborate and provide guidance to ensure the program aligns with equity and civil rights principles, contributing to a more inclusive and equitable Baltimore for all residents.

Sincerely,

Dana Petersen Moore Director Office of Equity and Civil Rights

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