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DATE: September 21, 2019

TO: Honorable President and Members of the City Council

FROM: Baltimore City Recreation & Parks

POSITION: Support

Re: City Council Bill #19-0156R Informational Hearing - Water Outages

Dear President and City Council Members:

Baltimore City Recreation & Parks has reviewed City Council Bill #19-0156R for the purpose of inviting representatives from the Department of Public Works, Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing Authority of Baltimore City, Baltimore City Public School System, Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Baltimore City Health Department to discuss protocols in place for and best practices to provide assistance to Baltimore City residents in the event they lose access to water. As water is a necessity for basic daily functions and is essential to addressing the basics of life, any event that causes City residents to go without water must be handled with the utmost seriousness.

BCRP recognizes that Baltimore City has an aging water and wastewater infrastructure and that the city has suffered numerous severe water main breaks in recent years, and agrees that any event that causes city residents to go without water must be handled with the utmost seriousness. BCRP involvement is limited in that it can only address infrastructure issues on BCRP property, but will certainly comply and rely on coordinated efforts with City agencies to ensure that appropriate preventative measures are in place and that all necessary actions are taken to resolve emergency situations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jenny Morgan at jenny.morgan@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-396-7900.

Sincerely,

Reginald Moore, Director

