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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 10-0439		

TO DATE:
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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Karen Randle
Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 10-0439 introduced by Council Members Welch, Holton, Spector, and Cole on behalf of Mr. Errez Segman (Back Alley Jazz).

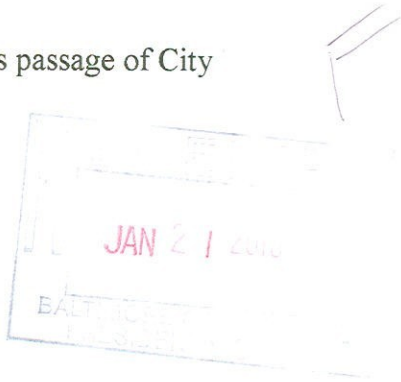
The purpose of the Bill is to name an unnamed alley, located perpendicular to and between South Carrollton Avenue and South Carlton Street, parallel with West Baltimore Street and Hollins Street.

Mr. Errez Segman owns the property known as 1131 West Baltimore Street, located mid-block on the south side of West Baltimore Street, between South Carrollton and South Carlton Streets. To the rear of the property is a 10-foot alley. Mr. Segman operates a club known as “Back Alley Jazz” at this location. His patrons enter the club from the alley side of the property. He is requesting that the unnamed 10-foot alley be named Jazz Alley and a majority of the abutting property owners have signed a petition agreeing to the name.

Article 26 § 7-3 of the Baltimore City Code requires a written report from the Department of General Services and the Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation on any ordinance to name or rename a public street or other thoroughfare. Guidelines require that the name not be the same as an existing thoroughfare, the name of a living person or persons, can not be the name of an existing or proposed business or product of a business, and must be given to the entire length of the thoroughfare. This Department examined its records and finds the request to name this unnamed alley Jazz Alley acceptable. Should the legislation be approved, the City will post appropriate street signs and the new name will be entered upon the official maps, plats and records of the City.

Based on these findings, the Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 10-0439.


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 Director



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