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PAUL T. GRAZIANO
Executive Director, HABC
Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: October 11, 2016

Re: **City Council Bill 16-0688 - Rezoning – 320 South Highland Avenue**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 16-0688, for the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 320 South Highland Avenue from the B-2-2 Zoning District to the B-2-3 Zoning District.

If enacted, this bill would rezone property located within the Highlandtown neighborhood on Highland Avenue. The staff report from the Department of Planning has concerns with the rezoning of a single property because it would not be in conformity with the zoning of the surrounding properties. However, the properties in the area, including 320 South Highland Avenue, are currently proposed to be rezoned to the C-1 zoning district under TransForm Baltimore, which would support the proposed renovation of the existing structure.

The Department of Housing and Community Development respectfully defers to the Department of Planning on the passage of City Council Bill 16-0688.

PTG:sd

cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Mr. Colin Tarbert, *Deputy Mayor*

*Defers
to
Planning*

