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City Council Bill #08-0243 – Release of Right of Ways

CITY of BALTIMORE

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December 24, 2008

The Honorable President and Members of the City Council Room 400, City Hall

Attention: Ms. Karen Randle

City Council Bill #08-0243 has been introduced for the purpose of authorizing the release and surrender by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore of all of its interests in and to (1) a 12-foot wide right of way heretofore granted to the City of Baltimore through the property of Union Railroad Company of Baltimore and the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, currently owned by Pompeian, Inc., the location and course of the 12-foot wide right of way to be released being shown on Plat B.S. 20-20589 prepared by the Department of Public Works — Bureau of Sewers and (2) a varying in width right of way granted to the City of Baltimore through the property of Pompeian, Inc. the location and course of the varying in width right of way to be released being shown on Plat R.W.20-36189 prepared by the Survey Control Section; and providing for a special effective date.

The subject two rights of ways are of interest to Pompeian Olive Oil, Inc., who is expanding their existing Baltimore facility by approximately 35,000 square feet. Part of the project includes the relocation and upgrading of two city utilities, enhancement of electrical service, and upgrading of production equipment. The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has coordinated with the Department of Public Works (DPW) and Pompeian, Inc. and has developed a funding strategy for the relocation of the utilities to the perimeter of the Pompeian property. The cost estimate for the relocation is \$863,000. Under the funding agreement between Pompeian, BDC and DPW, BDC agreed to pay \$250,000 from their Economic Development funds and DPW agreed to pay \$240,000 from the Waste Water Utility fund; and Pompeian agreed to pay the balance. Upon completion, existing right of ways for public use will no longer be required.

Based on the above findings, the Department of Finance has no objection to the passage of Council Bill #08-0243.

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