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March 31, 2009

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

Attention: Ms. Karen Randle

City Council Bill #09-0281 has been introduced for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain parcels of land known as the former beds of certain streets or portions of them lying within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project, bounded by Ashland Avenue, McDonogh Street, Chase Street, and Washington Street, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The subject property in located in East Baltimore near the Johns Hopkins Hospital where the Middle East Urban Renewal Project plan those for Washington Village, Johnston Square, Broadway East, Oliver, and Gay Street I provide an overall strategy for biotechnological and residential redevelopment. An approved Planned Unit Development (PUD), the New East Baltimore Community Planned Unit Development, allowed the construction of two new residential buildings. However, the Department of Public Works reports that the plans used for part of the construction were based on inaccurate survey dimensions. Previously passed Ordinances (09-105 and 09-106) have opened and closed portions of the right of way required to correct the error. The current Council Bill #09-0281 under consideration will allow for the sale of the additional former beds to carry-out the PUD development.

Based on the above findings, the Department of Finance has no objection to the passage of Council Bill 09-0281.

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