

MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE,

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

April 26, 2013

Re:

City Council Bill 12-0175 – Inclusionary Housing Board – Diversifying District

Representation

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0175, which was introduced for the purpose of expanding the size of the Inclusionary Housing Board by adding 5 board members nominated by the Council President; requiring that the Inclusionary Housing Board members nominated by the Council President reside in different council districts; and generally relating to the composition of the Inclusionary Housing Board.

This bill, if enacted, would increase the total membership of the Inclusionary Housing Board from eleven (11) to sixteen (16) members, and would specify that the five (5) new members proposed under this legislation be: (i) nominated by the Council President, appointed by the Mayor, and confirmed by the City Council in accordance with the City Charter, Article IV, § 6; and (ii) require that each of the five (5) members nominated by the Council President must reside in a different City Council district.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 12-0175.

PTG:nb

cc:

Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor



