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CITY of BALTIMORE

MEMO



TO

The Honorable President and Members of the City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 City Hall May 9, 2014

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill #14-0324, Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority. This bill is for renewing and continuing the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

This bill extends authority for the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority for an approximately 100-block area by 20th Street, 33rd Street, Greenmount Avenue and North Howard Street. The District and Authority were established to promote and market the area, provide supplemental security and maintenance services, enhance public amenities, and generally improve the desirability and livability of the area. Among other services, the Community Benefits District ensures that every street is swept weekly, and works with CSX to clean, weed and control growth along the railroad line at 26th Street.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) has no objections to this bill and respectfully requests it be granted a favorable vote. The department will continue working with the community on emergency 26th Street improvements, and is happy to coordinate with the Benefits District on any issues that may facilitate its work to keep the public right-of-way safe and clean.

Respectfully,

William M. Johnson

Director

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