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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 08-0089

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DATE: April 22, 2008

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 08-0089 introduced by Council President Rawlings Blake on behalf of the Administration (Department of Public Works).

The purpose of the Bill is to permit, subject to certain conditions, the construction and maintenance of a portion of a building, projecting into the public right-of-way on the north side of West 24th Street, of the property known as 2400 North Howard Street.

North Howard Storage, LLC owns the property known as 2400 North Howard Street, located at the northwest corner of North Howard and West 24th Streets. The property is improved with a multi-story parking garage. North Howard Storage, LLC is investing approximately \$6.5 million to convert the structure to a self-storage facility. In order to provide their clients with access to all floors, an elevator structure must be added at the front entrance of the facility, along the West 24th Street side of the building. Each floor is constructed of 8 inches of post tension concrete. To integrate the elevator structure requires cutting the structural cables, shoring up the entire building, and cutting holes through each floor to restring the new structural cables. This adaptation causes the 20 foot long elevator addition to project approximately 10 inches into the City's right-of-way. In reviewing this request, this Department determined that no public utilities or other interests would be harmed by this request, nor would the approximately 10 inch projection into the City right-of-way interfere with the free passage of vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports passage of City Council Bill 08-0089.

ACTING DIRECTOR

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