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The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
Attn: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary  
Room 409, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 09-0350 – Zoning – Conditional Use Parking, Open Off-Street Area – the Properties to be Known as 1731 North Gay Street (Block 1462, Lot 1) and 1650 North Patterson Park Avenue (Block 1462, Lot 20A)

Dear Madame President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 09-0350 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance and operation of a parking, open off-street area on the properties to be known as 1731 North Gay Street (Block 1462, Lot 1) and 1650 North Patterson Park Avenue (Block 1462, Lot 20A) as outlined in red on the plat accompanying the bill.

The site consists of vacant lots, some of which are zoned R-8 and some B-3-2. The lots which are zoned R-8 require a conditional use approved by ordinance of the City Council to be operated as an open off-street parking lot. See City Code, Zoning § 4-1104. City Council Bill 350 provides for that approval. The bill imposes two conditions on the use: the first regarding the height of the fence and the second requiring that the parking area comply with all federal, state and local licensing and certification requirements. These conditions are imposed pursuant to § 14-103 of the Zoning Article.

Since the bill is in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Zoning Code, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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