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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 16-0648		

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 City Hall

May 31, 2016

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 16-0648 Street Encroachmen – 1 West North Avenue (Parkway Theatre) for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the construction and maintenance of a portion of a building that will project into the public right-of-way of North Charles Street on the east side of the property known as 1 West North Avenue.

This bill would grant permission for construction and maintenance of a portion of a building on the east side of the property known as 1 West North Avenue, the portion of the building extending into the public right-of-way of North Charles Street, providing that the structure may not project into the public right-of-way more than 3 feet; and further provided that all ordinances, rules, and regulations of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, including but not limited to the requirement to obtain a right-of-entry permit, must be compiled with in the construction and maintenance of the structure.

The Parkway Theatre redevelopment project includes creation of a 3-screen movie theatre with exterior signs. The encroachment proposed is needed to allow adequate interior space meeting all code requirements for this use. The incorporation of the property known as 1 West North Avenue into the larger property known as 3-9 West North Avenue, which is the original Parkway Theatre, will permit modernization of a designated Baltimore City Landmark in order to facilitate its re-use as an arts and entertainment center for the 21st Century.

DOT supports this bill.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,



Frank J Murphy
Acting Director

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Cc: Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison