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To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date:

October 4, 2011

Re:

City Council Bill 11-0778 - Natural Resources - Floodplain Management

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0778, which was introduced for the purpose of modifying the statutes governing flood plain management to meet requirements for eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program and to otherwise comply with the requirements of Federal and State law; defining and redefining certain terms; updating references to various agencies; repealing redundant provisions; correcting, clarifying, and conforming related language; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the protection, maintenance, and enhancement of the public health, safety, and welfare through floodplain management.

This bill would modify existing statutes governing floodplain management to meet requirements for eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program and otherwise comply with applicable Federal and

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no position and defers to the position of the Department of Planning on City Council Bill 11-0778.

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cc:

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

Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor