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City Council Bill 12-0025R – Increased Funding for Youth Summer Jobs



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The Honorable, Mr. President and Members of the City Council Room 400, City Hall

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Introduction:

Bill 12-0025R requests support of the Baltimore Safe and Sound Campaign in its call for double City funding for summer jobs. The Mayor's Office of Employment Development (MOED) supports the Baltimore Safe and Sound Campaign in their pursuit for increased funding from the City.

MOED is committed to continuing its engagement in a variety of tried-and-true funding strategies, to include executing the annual YouthWorks fundraising campaign, submitting proposals to foundations, and seeking state and federal grants to augment the City's contribution. MOED strongly supports efforts to define stable funding for the YouthWorks program.

Through Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake's new Hire One Youth campaign, an aggressive solicitation to thousands of local area businesses is intended to increase donations and/or employment opportunities for Baltimore City Youth.

Success in all such efforts would build and enhance the Baltimore City YouthWorks program by a source of steady, defined funding not only through the City, but comprising of public, private, and philanthropic contributions.

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