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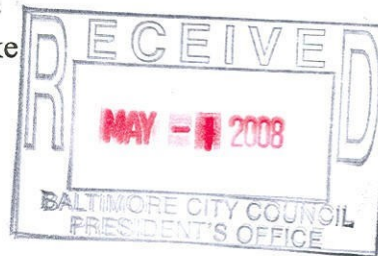


BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

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 Chief Executive Officer  
 200 E. North Avenue  
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April 22, 2008

The Honorable Stephanie Rawlings-Blake  
 President of the City Council  
 100 N. Holliday Street, Suite 200  
 Baltimore, Maryland 21202



Re: Bond Issue No. 08-0085

Dear Madam President and Members of the Baltimore City Council:

I am writing in regard to the above-referenced Bond Issue for a School Loan in the amount of \$43,000,000. The total amount covers Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011 of the Baltimore City Public School System (BCPSS) Capital Improvement Program request to the City, for \$23,000,000 in FY 2010 and \$20,000,000 in FY 2011.

I would like to provide for you a detailed breakdown of how the BCPSS would use the \$43,000,000 in bonds for school construction in Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011. The chart below itemizes the projects as they are identified in the FY 2009-2014 CIP. We will be happy to further detail the Systemic Improvements and Miscellaneous projects should you need a more detailed description.

| FY                                   | School                         | Project                                | \$ Request             |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| 2010                                 | #245 Leith Walk Pre-K to 8     | Building Addition/Renovation           | \$ 2,350,000           |
| 2010                                 | #51 Waverly Pre-K to 8         | Building Addition/Renovation           | 1,595,000              |
| 2010                                 | #88 Lyndhurst Pre-K to 8       | Building Addition                      | 1,835,000              |
| 2010                                 | #212 Garrett Hts. Pre-K to 8   | Building Addition                      | 1,993,000              |
| 2010                                 | #234 Arlington Pre-K to 8      | Building Addition                      | 3,808,000              |
| 2010                                 | #39 Dallas<br>Nicholas/Barclay | Barclay Study/Proposal                 | 1,200,000              |
| 2010                                 | Various Schools                | Community Schools Renovations          | 2,000,000              |
| 2010                                 | Various Schools                | Systemic<br>Improvements/Miscellaneous | 8,219,000              |
| <i>[FY'10 total]</i>                 |                                |  | <i>[\$ 23,000,000]</i> |
| 2011                                 | #245 Leith Walk Pre-K to 8     | Building Addition/Renovation           | \$ 4,850,000           |
| 2011                                 | #233 Pimlico Pre-K to 8        | Building Renovation                    | 1,500,000              |
| 2011                                 | #62 Edgecombe Circle           | Building Renovation                    | \$ 750,000             |
| 2011                                 | LexingtonTerrace/MLK Site      | New School Study                       | 750,000                |
| 2011                                 | Various Schools                | Other Major Renovations                | 4,500,000              |
| 2011                                 | Various Schools                | Systemic<br>Improvements/Miscellaneous | 7,650,000              |
| <i>[FY 2011 Total]</i>               |                                |  | <i>[\$20,000,000]</i>  |
| <b>TOTAL for FYs 2010 &amp; 2011</b> |                                |  | <b>\$ 43,000,000</b>   |

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The local funding requests represent a portion of the total cost of each project. The remainder of funding has historically been provided by the State of Maryland through the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction. City funding provides a substantial leveraging effect, bringing nearly nine State dollars for each City dollar. As you know, we are currently exploring alternative financing options, as well, for some projects. The City funds are greatly appreciated and needed. Thank you for your continued support of our efforts.

Sincerely,



Andres A. Alonso, Ed.D.  
Chief Executive Officer

c: Mary Pat Clarke  
Bennie E. Williams  
John Walker  
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