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May 5, 2015

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

Re: City Council Bill 15-0531 – City Property – Naming the Marble Fountain in
Patterson Park to be the Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. Memorial Fountain

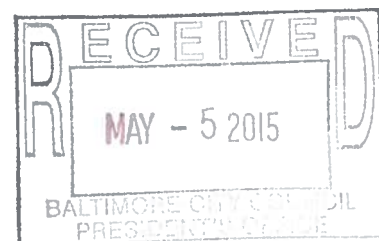
Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0531 for form and legal sufficiency. The purpose of the bill is to name the marble fountain in Patterson Park, located at the entrance on Patterson Park Avenue at Lombard Street, adjacent to the property known as 27 South Patterson Park Avenue, to be the Dr. Levi Watkins, Jr. Memorial Fountain.

Article 5, Subsection 20, of the Baltimore City Code (“BCC”) requires that property owned by the Mayor and City Council be named or renamed by ordinance. *See* BCC, Article 5, § 20-1, *et. seq.* The bill must be referred for comment to the municipal agency in control of the City property. *See* BCC, Article 5, §20-2(b)(2). This bill was referred to the City Solicitor, the Planning Commission, the Department of Real Estate, the Department of Recreation and Parks, the Department of General Services, and the Department of Public Works. Presumably, the Department of Recreation and Parks is the agency to control this property. Provided that is the case, or that the property will be controlled by one of the other agencies to whom the bill was referred for comment, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency. This report is based on the introductory version of the bill and is subject to change if the First Reader is different.

Sincerely,

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