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Honorable President Bernard Young Members of the City Council **Baltimore City Council** 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> RE: Council Bill # 11-0327R

> > Informational Hearing - Recreation and Parks - Disposition of Recreation

Centers

Dear President Young:

The Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks supports the intent of City Council Bill # 11-0327R which is for the purpose of requesting the Director of Recreation and Parks and the head of the Bureau of Recreation to appear before the City Council to discuss the status of the City's 61 recreation facilities – 5 of which are already closed – and the disposition of the 31 recreation centers that are not currently funded for operation beyond December 31, 2011.

The Department of Recreation and Parks welcomes the opportunity to participate in this City Council hearing to brief its members on our current recreation center plan that has been created based on our extensive Recreation Center Taskforce Review.

The Department of Recreation and Parks supports the intent of City Council Bill #11-0327R.

Respectfully yours,

Gregory Bayor

Director

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cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to the Mayor's Office

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