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Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO
Executive Director, HABC
Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: February 2, 2009

Re: **City Council Bill 08-0241 City Streets – Closing – Subterranean
Rights Under Pleasant Street**

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 08-0241, which was introduced for the purpose of condemning and closing the subterranean rights under Pleasant Street, 23.35 feet east of St. Paul Place and extending Easterly 26.00 feet, as shown on Plat 114-A-54A in the Office of the Department of Public Works.

City Council Bill 08-0241 and its companion bills, 08-240 and 08-242, would open, close and then authorize the sale of the subterranean rights under Pleasant Street. This would allow Mercy Hospital to excavate and construct a tunnel that will connect an existing parking garage to a new 672,000 square foot hospital tower. The tunnel will be approximately 49.5 feet long and 26 feet wide.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 08-0241.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson
Ms. Diane Hutchins
Mr. Andrew Frank



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