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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Mayor's Commission on Disabilities		
	SUBJECT	Council Bill - #09-0272 – Sustainability Plan		

DATE:

TO

February 6, 2009

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

**POSITION: SUPPORT, WITH AMENDMENTS**

Please be advised that the Mayor's Commission on Disabilities **supports** Council Bill 09-0272, **with amendments**.

The Mayor's Commission on Disabilities supports Council Bill #09-0272, Baltimore Sustainability Plan, with amendments. The purpose of the bill is to create a framework to guide the implementation of sustainable principles for the City of Baltimore in the following areas: air quality, water quality, resource conservation and recycling, energy, public health, environmental justice, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and increasing the use of alternative means of transportation.

**Bill Support:**

The bill specifies goals to achieve sustainability and delineates strategies necessary to meet those goals. The Sustainability Plan focuses on cleanliness, pollution prevention, resource conservation, greening, transportation, education and awareness, and a green economy.

We recommend a favorable report on Council Bill #09-0272. As drafted, Council Bill #09-0272 does not include any goals, or strategies to achieve the same, targeted at accessible transportation for disabled persons. The Mayor's Commission on Disabilities recommends the following amendments:

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**Goal #5: Improve the Health of Our Indoor Environments**

- 7 Strategy A: Use green cleaning products in schools, government offices, and businesses
- 8 Strategy B: Explore the feasibility of making all Baltimore multifamily dwellings
- 9 smoke-free by 2010
- 10 Strategy C: Increase and coordinate all healthy housing efforts
- 11 Strategy D: Ensure coordination among weatherization, lead remediation, and healthy
- 12 **AND ACCESSIBLE** homes activities

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