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Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
Room 400, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

**Re: City Council Bill No. 18-0302
Late- Night Commercial Operations - Licensing**

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed Council Bill 18-0302. This legislation is for the purpose of deleting an exception for the sale of motor vehicle fuels; authorizing the issuance of a conditional license for certain delivery services; and generally related to the licensing of late- night commercial operations.

The BPD supports this bill. Most relevant to the BPD, this legislation creates a licensing mechanism for the sale of fuel during late night hours. This will help with late night crime by reducing the number of locations for people to congregate in the middle of the night. Conversely, it will also allow for a more structured relationship between the government and those with licenses should any issues at these locations arise.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. The BPD looks forward to working with the City Council on this matter.

Sincerely,

Danielle Butcher
Office of the Police Commissioner