



## MEMORANDUM

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

From: Alice Kennedy, Acting Housing Commissioner

Date: January 27, 2021

### **Re: City Council Resolution 21-0012R Investigative Hearing - Safe Return to In-Person Schooling**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Resolution 21-0012R for the purpose of inviting the CEO of the Baltimore City Public School System to provide the City Council with an update regarding safety precautions the School System is taking for the return of students to in-person schooling and inviting representatives from the Baltimore City Fire Department, Health Department, and Department of Housing and Community Development to comment on the adequacy of those safety precautions.

DHCD supports the intent of this Resolution to educate the public and the City Council with information regarding the safety precautions the School System is taking; however, the agency would not be involved in the return of students to in-person schooling.

DHCD **defers to BCPS** on the passage of City Resolution 21-0012R.

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cc: Ms. Nina Themelis, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*