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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 22-0266 - Sale of Property -1200 North Fremont Avenue

President and City Council Members:

The Law Department reviewed City Council Bill 2-0266 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill allows the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell its interest in the property located at 1200 North Fremont Avenue (the bill refers to the property as 1200 North Fremont) and declares the property is no longer needed for public use. The bill provides for a special effective date.

Article V, Section 5(b) of the Baltimore City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to arrange for the disposition of any building, parcel of land, or other real property that is no longer needed by the City for public use. The sale must be authorized by ordinance and approved by the Board of Estimates.

The property at 1200 North Fremont Avenue is the former Baltimore City public school, Pinderhughes Elementary School. The school was closed in 2013 and designated as surplus property in 2015. If the agency reports confirm that the property is no longer needed for public use, this bill is the appropriate ordinance to authorize disposition of the property.

The Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michele Toth".

Michele Toth
Special Solicitor

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