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TO

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 10-0441 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Comptroller (Department of Real Estate).

The purpose of the Bill is to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain property known as Block 7774A, Lot 009A and no longer needed for public use.

The subject property is an unimproved parcel approximately 3.251 acres in size. The property is located south of Wilmarco Avenue, west of Bernard Drive, and abutting a Central Railroad right-of-way and the properties known as 1220 Bernard Drive and 2731 Wilmarco Avenue. A request to surplus this property was circulated several months ago and this Department as well as the Department of General Services reported no objections.

The Department of General Services continued to research this property following the surplus request and older records indicate that there were Railroad Operating agreements across or in the vicinity of this property at one time. Due to the age of these records, there is no indication whether these agreements were ever voided. In addition, these records imply that stormwater improvements may have been planned for the property but no improvements are verified.

The Department of Public Works does not object to the passage of City Council Bill 10-0441, but, based on the research conducted by the Department of General Services, recommends that a Title Report be obtained for the property to ensure that there are no existing railroad track agreements or any other recorded agreements or easements.

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