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TO: The Honorable President Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
and Members of the Baltimore City Council
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FROM: Ms. Kathleen G. Kotarba, Executive Director

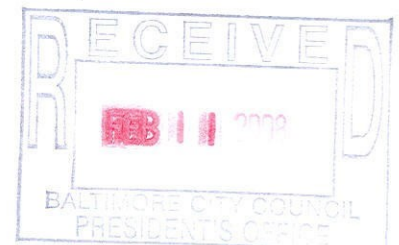
RE: Bill No. 08-0008-Baltimore City Landmark List- Riverside Park

This legislation will designate Riverside Park, located at 301 E. Randall Street, as a Baltimore City Landmark. The Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation approves this legislation and requests that the designation process be completed as soon as possible.

Riverside Park is currently administered by Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks who supports the designation. Riverside Park meets CHAP's standards #1, #3, and #5. Riverside Park area played an important role in the Battle of Baltimore during the War of 1812 and became a prominent Baltimore City Park in the 1870s (#1). This park is associated with the Battle of Baltimore during the role of 1812, where Fort Lookout helped prevent the landing of 1,250 British soldiers on the south side of the peninsula, near today's Port Covington (#3), and many of the park components such as the pavilion, cannon memorial, entrances from Randall Street and path system illustrate many Victorian landscape design features (#5).

Your favorable support is requested. Thank you for your consideration.

cc. Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council
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