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MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

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The Honorable President and Members Of the Baltimore City Council Attn: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

City Council Bill 08-0087 - Mayor's Commission on Disabilities (MCD) - Amendments RE:

Dear Madame President and City Council Members:

The Mayor's Commission on Disabilities (MCD) is updating the MCD ordinance to bring into law what the current and past unofficial membership practices have been. We seek to: 1) officially acknowledge the participation of current participating agencies as affiliates on the MCD; 2) bring into compliance the need for at least one representative from each of the new council districts; 3) regarding membership, recognize those who have participated as active contributors to the MCD and who have served people with disabilities by working in organizations that are located in the City, but who may reside in jurisdictions outside of the City, and; 4) ensure that all Commissioners who have a disability reside in the City.

The Mayor's Commission on Disabilities recommends the following amendments to the First

On page 1, in line 5, after the semicolon, insert "correcting, clarifying, and conforming related language;".

On page 2, in line 8, strike "not fewer than" and substitute "AT LEAST".



On page 2, in line 10, strike "(1)(iii)A AND B" and substitute "(i)"; and, in line 11, strike beginning with "EACH" through "DISTRICT" and substitute "<u>AT LEAST 1 MUST BE APPOINTED FROM EACH OF THE 14 COUNCIL DISTRICTS</u>".

On page 2, in line 12, strike the colon; and, in line 13, strike "(I)"; and, in the same line, after "WORK", insert "OR RESIDE" and strike beginning with the semicolon in line 13 through "CITY" in line 14.

On page 2, in line 16, strike "City".

Sincerely,

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