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PAUL T. GRAZIANO
Executive Director, HABC
Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

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

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: October 21, 2016

Re: **City Council Bill 16-0738 - Zoning – Conditional Use Home for Homeless Women and Home for Homeless Women and Children – 1200 North Fremont Avenue**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 16-0738 for the purpose of permitting, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a home for homeless women and for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of a seasonal home for homeless women and children, and, in the event of an emergency situation, a home for homeless women and children on the property known as 1200 North Fremont Avenue.

If enacted, this bill would make permanent the temporary approval for the re-use of a former school building in Sandtown-Winchester as a seasonal (cold-weather) shelter for woman and children. The number of homeless woman on site per day will be limited to 60 and the number of homeless woman with children per day will be limited to 50 persons. In the event of a weather emergency, the facility will be allowed to serve no more than 30 additional persons, including children.

The Department of Housing and Community Development encourages the passage of City Council Bill 16-0738.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Mr. Colin Tarbert, *Deputy Mayor*

