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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

Re: City Council Bill 12-0082R – Informational Hearing – Casino Community Hiring

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 12-0082R for form and legal sufficiency. This resolution seeks to ask members of the Mayor's Office of Employment Development ("MOED") and the Baltimore Development Corporation ("BDC") to discuss with the Council the benefits of a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the operator of the future casino in Baltimore City and how to prepare residents for work in the casino.

Since a resolution of the City Council is typically used to address matters of concern to the City or policy matters that impact the City but are outside of the realm of the City Council's authority to act, City Council Bill 12-0077R is the appropriate manner in which to discuss this topic. *McQuillin, Municipal Corporations*, §§15.01 *et seq.*; *see also Inlet Assocs. v. Assateague House Condominium*, 313 Md. 413, 428 (1988).

Very truly yours,

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