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Honorable President Bernard Young
Members of the City Council
Baltimore City Council
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: **Council Bill # 15-0246R**
Informational Hearing – Funding Recreation Centers by Selling the City-Owned Hilton Hotel

Dear President Young:

The Department of Recreation and Parks is reporting on City Council Bill # 15-0246R. This Bill is for the purpose of calling on representatives from the Baltimore Hotel Corporation, the Department of Recreation and Parks, and the Department of Finance to appear before the Council to discuss the possibility of funding recreation center upgrades through a sale of the City-owned Hilton Hotel.

The Department of Recreation and Parks has no position on the sale of the hotel and will defer this matter to the expertise and opinions of the Baltimore Development Corporation and Department of Finance.

Therefore, the Department of Recreation and Parks will take no position in the matter of City Council Bill #15-0246R.

Respectfully yours,

Ernest W. Burkeen, Jr.
Director

EWB:VSO

cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to City Council

