



# MEMORANDUM

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RAWLINGS-BLAKE,  
Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,  
Executive Director, HABCD  
Commissioner, HCD

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: May 10, 2013

Re: **City Council Bill 13-0208 – Rezoning – 2600 North Howard Street**

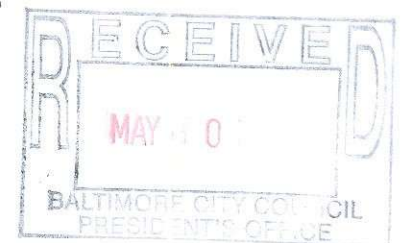
The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 13-0208, which was introduced for the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 2600 North Howard Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the M-1-2 Zoning District to the B-2-2 Zoning District.

This bill, if enacted, would change the zoning for the property known as 2600 North Howard Street from the M-1-2 Industrial Zoning District designation to the B-2-2 Commercial Zoning District designation. It is the understanding of HCD that the petitioner, Seawall Development Company, is requesting the zoning change in order to remove the prohibition against live entertainment on the site, in order to attract potential tenants such as a theatre venue; live entertainment is prohibited in an M-1-2 Zoning District, but allowable under certain circumstances in the B-2-2 Zoning District designation.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 13-0208.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*  
Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, *Deputy Mayor*



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