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BOARD OF MUNICIPAL AND ZONING APPEALS

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The Honorable President and Members of the City Council City Hall

> Re: City Council Bill #10-0445 Ethics Board Composition, Tenure, etc. Ethics Training

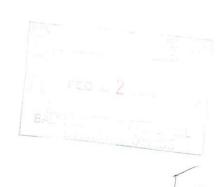
Ladies and Gentlemen:

City Council Bill # 10-0445 has been referred by your Honorable Body to the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals for study and report.

The purpose of this legislation is to reconstitute the Baltimore City Board of Ethics; providing for the Board's composition and for the qualifications, tenure, and removal of its members; requiring the Board to submit certain annual and special reports; expressly including certain entities within the purview of the Public Ethics Law; expanding the requirements for mandatory ethics training to encompass certain boards; commissions, and other multi-member entities; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to ethics in the public sector.

City Council Bill No. 10-445 provides for the reconstitution of the Baltimore City Board of Ethics. The legislation sets the composition of the Board, qualifications for the members, ethics training requirements etc.

The Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals has reviewed this legislation and is in support of the passage of City Council Bill No. 10-445.





Sincerely,

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