



F R O M	Name & Title	Joshua M. Sharfstein, Commissioner 	Health Department	
	Agency Name & Address	Health Department 210 Guilford Ave.	MEMO	
	Subject	Council Bill 08-0109- Zoning - Conditional Use Housing for the Elderly – 5300 Harford Road		

To: President and Members
of the City Council
c/o
409 City Hall

June 1, 2008

The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to respond to Council Resolution 08-0109. The purpose of the bill is to permit, subject to certain conditions, the establishment, maintenance, and operation of housing for the elderly on the property known as 5300 Harford Road.

The Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ) processes assisted living facilities for licensure.

The BCHD Adult and Geriatric Health Services is responsible for monitoring personal care services provided in these facilities. In addition, the BCHD Office of Environmental Health addresses issues related the facility such as infestations, food preparation areas, and ventilation.

There is a continuing need in Baltimore City for housing for the frail and elderly, and we support the proposed project with the provision that the property is in compliance with COMAR 10.07.14, Title 10, Assisted Living Programs.

Cc: Angela Gibson

