## **CITY OF BALTIMORE**

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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 25-0033 – General Fund Operating Appropriation Transfer – M-R Debt Service (Service 123 - General Debt Service) to Office of the Sheriff (Service 882 - Deputy Sheriff Enforcement) – \$4,564,341

Dear President Cohen, Vice President Middleton, and Members of the Council:

The Law Department reviewed City Council Bill 25-0033 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill provides for a transfer of a General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$4,564,341 from M-R Debt Service (Service 123 - General Debt Service) to the Office of the Sheriff (Service 882 - Deputy Sheriff Enforcement). The bill is effective on the date it is enacted.

The City Charter permits transferring an appropriation in the Ordinance of Estimates from one entity to another so long as it is recommended by the Board of Estimates and approved by ordinance of the Mayor and City Council. City Charter, Art. VI, § 9(a)(2). In conformance with the Charter, the bill states that the Board of Estimates approved the transfer on February 5, 2025. The Law Department approves Council Bill 25-0033 for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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