



# MEMORANDUM

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RAWLINGS-BLAKE,  
Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,  
Executive Director, HABC,  
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: September 20, 2011

Re: **City Council Bill 11-0748 - City Streets - Closing - Certain Streets and Alleys Bounded by Ashland Avenue, Chester Street, Eager Street, and Patterson Park Avenue**

The Department of Housing and Community Development has reviewed City Council Bill 11-0748, which was introduced for the purpose of condemning and closing certain streets and alleys bounded by Ashland Avenue, Chester Street, Eager Street, and Patterson Park Avenue and lying within the Middle East Urban Renewal Project, as shown on Plat-348-A-89A in the Office of the Department of General Services; and providing for a special effective date.

This bill is related to the site assembly for the construction of the New East Baltimore School, a public charter school serving grades PreK-8 in the East Baltimore Development Incorporated (EBDI) section of the city adjacent to the Johns Hopkins medical campus.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 11-0748.

PTG:nb

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

