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	Subject	Council Bill 12-0072: Zoning - Conditional Use - Amending Ordinance 11-459			

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

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The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to review Council Bill 12-0072 Zoning - Conditional Use - Amending Ordinance 11-459. The purpose of this bill is to amend Ordinance 11-459 to reflect the lot consolidation that occurred after Ordinance 11-459 was enacted, by amending the property address of the housing for the elderly, formerly known as 4309-4311 Pimlico Road, to 4311 Pimlico Road.

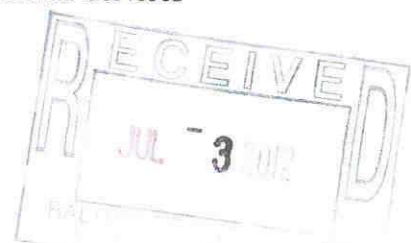
This project, the Renaissance Gardens, will be located at 4311 Pimlico road. CHAI (Comprehensive Housing Assistance) is a very strong and respected organization in the community and is located at 5809 Park Heights Avenue. It will offer 60 units for the elderly with plans to begin construction November 2012. The original ordinance was approved in June of 2011. This new amendment is to consolidate three lots into one lot. This project is a building within the Baltimore Green Building standards for a multi-family building larger than three stories. Additionally there will be 51 trees planted on site with shrubs and plantings.

This Housing Development Renaissance Gardens will provide 60 units for seniors in the Northwest section of Baltimore City which very much needed. There will be some handicapped accessible units. Additionally there will be supportive services on site and referrals to other needed programs and services residents might be in need of.

The Construction of the proposed lot supports the development and goals of the Park Heights master plan and neighborhood development. The project creates affordable housing and safe environment for our elderly.

The Baltimore City Health Department strongly supports this project and will participate at the hearing to provide any information that may be needed in assisting the council in making an informed decision.

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