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	SUBJECT	<b>CITY COUNCIL BILL 14-0429</b>		

**TO** DATE: September 17, 2014

The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin  
Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 14-0429 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of General Services).

The purpose of this Bill is to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Wills Street, extending from Philpot Street southerly 477.0 feet, more or less, to the end thereof (Ward 03, Section 07, Block 1815) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The subject parcel is located west of South Caroline Street and south of Dock Street, within the Harbor Point Planned Unit Development, last amended by Ordinance 13-136. The PUD has design guidelines and open space plans showing that this portion of the former bed of Wills Street will be part of a pedestrian pathway leading to the planned Waterfront Park, one of five planned community green spaces on the site.

This section of Wills Street was closed by Ordinance 196, approved May 5, 1952. It is not needed for the flow of vehicular traffic under the plans for this PUD. This Bill requires that the sale be subject to a full width Perpetual Easement for all Municipal Utilities and Services, not to be abandoned, over the subject parcel of land.

Based on these findings, the Department of General Services supports the passage of City Council Bill 14-0429.

Respectfully,



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