

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 05-0118R
(Resolution)**

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A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

Plug-In Baltimore Campaign

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2 FOR the purpose of working with the local government, education, business and environmental
3 community to develop a program to encourage the future purchase of flexible-fuel plug-in
4 hybrid vehicles, including fleet orders, and making a commitment to support local, state and
5 federal policies that will promote flexible-fuel plug-in hybrid vehicles.

6 **WHEREAS**, the over-reliance of America on foreign oil has become a growing and serious
7 threat to the economic vitality and national security interest of the United States; and

8 **WHEREAS**, automobile emissions are a major contributing factor to global warming and to
9 smog in our cities, which threaten the health of our citizens and the sustainability of our planet;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, the imbalance between gasoline resources and worldwide demand is escalating
12 gasoline prices at an alarming rate and to levels that overburden commerce, hurt economic
13 growth and cause serious hardship on our citizens; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the technology exists today to build a flexible-fuel plug-in hybrid-electric
15 automobile that could reduce oil imports, fuel costs to our citizens and our economy and air
16 emissions by dramatic margins; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the City of Baltimore is partnering with Austin and other of the nation’s largest
18 cities, to urge automakers to mass produce plug-in hybrid vehicles for the substantial
19 economical, environmental and strategic reasons outlined; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the City of Baltimore is officially launching “Plug-In Baltimore”, a community-
21 wide campaign to promote the mass production of plug-in hybrid vehicles;

22 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That this
23 Body will work with local government, education, business and environmental community to
24 develop a program to encourage the future purchase of flexible-fuel plug-in hybrid vehicles,
25 including fleet orders, and making a commitment to support local, state and federal policies that
26 will promote flexible-fuel plug-in hybrid vehicles.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
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