



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: June 7, 2013

Re: **City Council Bill 13-0216 – City Streets – Closing – Howil Terrace**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 13-0216, which was introduced for the purpose of condemning and closing Howil Terrace, laid out contiguous to the north outline of the property known as 5928 York Road and extending from York Road westerly 138.0 feet, more or less, to a 10-foot alley laid out in the rear of the properties known as 5926 and 5928 York Road, as shown on Plat 133-A-70A in the Office of the Department of General Services; and providing for a special effective date.

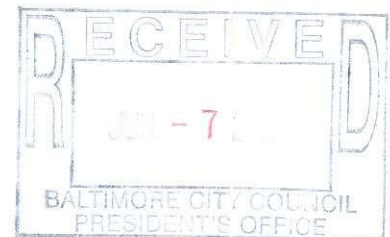
This bill, if enacted, would condemn and close the city street known as the former bed of Howil Terrace. The subject right-of-way is bounded by York Road to the east, Northern Parkway to the North, a 10 foot alley located behind the properties known as 5926 and 5928 York Road to the west, and its southern boundary is the property known as 5926/5928 York Road, which is currently occupied by Jerry's Belvedere Tavern and Restaurant.

It is the understanding of HCD that the owner of Jerry's Belvedere Tavern is interested in purchasing this property to allow for outside seating for his customers and improvements to the entrance of the business.

The Department of Housing and Community Development respectfully defers its position on City Council Bill 13-0216 to the Department of Planning.

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



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