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	SUBJECT	CITY COUNCIL BILL 10-0534

CITY of BALTIMORE



TO

DATE: June 21, 2010

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 10-0534 introduced by the Council President on behalf of the Administration (Department of Finance).

The purpose of the Bill is to provide a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$527,000 to the Department of General Services (Program 731 – Facilities Management) to provide funding to pay for additional operating expenses in Fiscal Year 2011.

Due to difficult economic conditions, the Fiscal 2011 Board of Estimates Recommended Budget reduced or eliminated operations funded by General Funds and Motor Vehicle Revenues. The Department of General Services had to reduce the cleaning contract for Cityowned buildings in the current budget year to 60% of the original award amount. Cleaning services would be further reduced to 40% of the original award amount in the FY 2011 budget.

The reduced cleaning services make it difficult to maintain the public buildings at the level of cleanliness this Department expects to provide. These services are critical to the health and safety of our employees and the visiting public. City Council Bill 10-0534, if approved, would provide \$527,000 to the Department of General Services Fiscal 2011 Budget to restore cleaning services to the FY 2010 level. The Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 10-0534.

Khalil A. Zaied

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