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The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
Attn: Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
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Dear President and City Council Members:

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) has reviewed City Council Bill 21-0150: Supplemental General Fund Operating Appropriation –Mayoralty-Related: Office of the Inspector General – \$400,000. The OIG **supports** City Council Bill 21-0150. The supplemental funds would cover the expenses related to three (3) unbudgeted positions that were filled after the FY2021 budget was approved, as follows:

- 1) PN 53919 Operations Assistant II – filled on 6/22/2020
- 2) PN 53916 Operations Officer IV – filled on 8/10/2020
- 3) PN 53915 Special Agent – filled on 8/16/2020

These specific Position Numbers were given to the OIG by the Office of the Mayor in order to carry out the additional responsibilities mandated by the Baltimore City Public Ethics Law ("Ethics Law"), City Code, Art. 8, Section 3-11, as amended on April 13, 2020, that designates the Inspector General (IG) as the Executive Director of the Ethics Board and requires the IG to assist the Board and assign OIG staff, and the Whistleblower Rights and Responsibilities Act, City Code, Art. 1, Subsection 8, effective March 15, 2020, requiring the OIG to investigate all allegations that fall under the jurisdiction of the Act.

This appropriation is necessary to bring our FY21 budget into balance. We look forward to attending the hearing and answering any questions the Council may have.

Sincerely yours,

Isabel M. Cumming
Inspector General

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