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To: President and Members  
of the City Council  
c/o 409 City Hall

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The Commission on the Aging and Retirement Education (CARE) is pleased to have the opportunity to review Council Bill 22-0254, entitled “Office of Aging - Independent Agency.” This ordinance seeks to establish an Office of Aging as an independent agency, and to update the Commission on the Aging and Retirement Education’s enabling legislation.

The Commission is charged with the responsibility to assist the City in coordinating and developing effective services and opportunities for the City’s older residents. Its role includes recommending new programs, conducting surveys and studies of existing programs, holding public hearings, and reporting its findings and concerns to the Mayor. The Commission also evaluates how the City disseminates information about City programs for older adults to the public and makes recommendations to the Mayor for improving dissemination.

The Commission believes that the proposed amendments to the bill will modernize and strengthen the Commission’s role as an advocate for older adults in Baltimore City. We request a **favorable** position on Council Bill 22-0254.