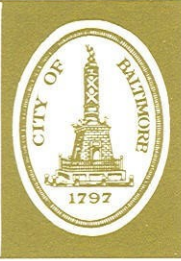


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	SUBJECT	CCB #09-0305/ CITY PROPERTY - RENAMING BENTALOU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #150 TO MARY ANN WINTERLING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #150

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DATE: September 28, 2009

TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
City Hall, Room 400
100 N. Holliday Street

The Department of Planning has received City Council Bill #09-0305/ Renaming Bentalou Elementary School #150 to Mary Ann Winterling Elementary School #150, located at 220 North Bentalou Street. This bill is schedule to be heard by the Planning Commission on October 8, 2009. However, because the City Council hearing for this bill will occur prior to October 8, 2009; we are submitting a Department Report, with the Commission report to follow.

The Department staff has learned that the late Mary Ann Winterling worked for Baltimore City Public School System for 44 years. Ms. Winterling spent 35 years at Bentalou Elementary School of which 29 as the school's principal. She made Bentalou Elementary School her home away from home. During her stay, Ms. Winterling watched the school go through some historic transitions. She was there during the integration of public schools and for the Bentalou being named a Maryland Blue Ribbon School in 2003 under her leadership. She did such a good job at her job that when the school board wanted to stop the imposed busing of students, white parents protested, saying they wanted their children to remain at the 90 percent black school. Ms. Winterling was well loved by her students, faculty, and the parents. She prided herself for running a no nonsense school with a family atmosphere that welcomed parent involvement.

Therefore, the Department of Planning believes it would be a fitting tribute to rename Bentalou Elementary School to Mary Ann Winterling Elementary School #150 in Ms. Winterling's honor.

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