



MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 9, 2021
TO: Economic and Community Development Committee
FROM: Colin Tarbert, President and CEO 
POSITION: Support
SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 21-0089
 City Property – Naming the Property, located at Ward 6, Section 9, Block 1318, Lot 2 (also known as 199 North Caroline Street), to be the Dante Barksdale Square

INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill No. 21-0089, introduced by City Council President Mosby, on May 17, 2021.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Bill is to name the City property located at Ward 6, Section 9, Block 1318, Lot 2 (also known as 199 North Caroline Street). Upon passage of the Bill, this property will be known as “Dante Barksdale Square.”

BRIEF HISTORY

On January 17, 2021, Dante Barksdale was killed. As a founding member of Baltimore’s Safe Streets program he worked in the neighborhoods where he was most needed. As a mentor and a leader he impacted thousands of lives and it is fitting that the City of Baltimore remember Mr. Barksdale by naming this park in his honor.

Block 1318, Lot 2 contains a pair of bus shelters and several metal tables. The lot is bounded by East Lexington, North Caroline and East Fayette Streets.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

AGENCY POSITION

The BDC supports passage of City Council Bill No. 21-0089.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Clark at KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com and 410-837-9305.

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