



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
Mayor

Kevin Davis
Police Commissioner

January 8, 2016

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
Room 400, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

**Re: City Council Bill No. 15-0610
Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation – Police Department
- \$8,400,000**

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD or the Department) has reviewed Council Bill 15-0610. This bill is for the purpose of providing a supplementary general fund operating appropriation in the amount of \$8,400,000 to the Department. This funding will be used to provide funding for the settlement approved by the Board of Estimates on September 9, 2015 for the family of Freddie Gray (\$6,400,000), for outside legal expenses for the Freddie Gray case, and for the ongoing Department of Justice Review of the BPD (\$2,000,000). The Department supports this supplementary appropriation.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. The Department looks forward to working with the City Council on this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew G. Vetter
Director of Government Affairs

