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February 14, 2025

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 25-0034 – General Fund Operating Appropriation Transfer –
M-R Debt Service (Service 123 - General Debt Service) to Department of Transportation
(Service 683 - Street Management) – \$1,039,801

Dear President Cohen, Vice President Middleton, and Members of the Council:

The Law Department reviewed City Council Bill 25-0034 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill provides for a transfer of a General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$1,039,801 from M-R Debt Service (Service 123 - General Debt Service) to the Department of Transportation (Service 683 - Street Management). The bill is effective on the date it is enacted.

The City Charter permits transferring an appropriation in the Ordinance of Estimates from one entity to another so long as it is recommended by the Board of Estimates and approved by ordinance of the Mayor and City Council. City Charter, Art. VI, § 9(a)(2). In conformance with the Charter, the bill states that the Board of Estimates approved the transfer on February 5, 2025. The Department of Transportation's Street Management Service is in the operating rather than the capital budget, so the additional bill reports required for capital projects do not apply to this budget transfer. *See* City Charter, Art. VI, § 9(a)(2). The Law Department approves Council Bill 25-0034 for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michele Toth".

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