

BALTIMORE
OFFICE OF PROMOTION & THE ARTS

September 16, 2009

The Honorable Stephanie Rawlings-Blake
and Members of the City Council
Room 400, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore MD 21202

Dear Madam President and Members of the City Council:

City Council Bill 09-143R (Resolution)

Preparations for Major Events & Festivals

Official Response by the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts

Although BOPA is not directly responsible for communicating to the community for all large events and street closures, we do initiate the process by filing all appropriate City permit forms. However, for Artscape and the Baltimore Book Festival, we are proactive in contacting the immediate neighborhood and businesses, along with passing out flyers door-to-door advising them of our plans and providing alternate parking and vehicle access passes. In addition, we publish a contact number on the flyers to call in order to address any concerns.

We look forward in participating in the hearing process.

Thank you,



William B. Gilmore
Executive Director

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