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Honorable President Bernard Young
Members of the City Council
Baltimore City Council
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: **Council Bill # 11-0308R**
Investigative Hearing – Maintenance of City Owned Properties

Dear President Young:

The Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks supports the intent of City Council Bill # 11-0308R which is for the purpose of calling on representatives from the Departments of Public Works, Health, Housing, Recreation & Parks and General Services to appear before the City Council to explain the City's current policies for maintaining City owned vacant lots and other properties; discuss how these properties; discuss how these properties could be better maintained; and establish a clear and simple method by which neighbors of City owned properties can quickly and effectively get their concerns addressed.

The Department of Recreation and Parks welcomes the opportunity to participate in this hearing designed to work toward the establishment of procedures to address these issues. However, currently our agency is only responsible for maintaining properties that are within our inventory.

The Department of Recreation and Parks supports the intent of City Council Bill #11-0308R.

Respectfully yours,

Gregory Bayor
Director

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cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to the Mayor's Office

