

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO Executive Director, HABC Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: March 14, 2016

City Council Bill 16-0622-Repeal of Ordinance 02-299 – Flag House Re:

Court Hope VI Planned Unit Development

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 16-0622 for the purpose of repealing Ordinance 02-299, which designated certain properties as a Residential Planned Unit Development known as Flag House Court Hope VI; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill would repeal the PUD that was approved in 2002, which designated the former Flag House Courts public housing site and other offsite properties in the Jonestown community. The purpose for the establishment of the PUD has largely been achieved with the completion of the Albemarle Square mixed income residential development in 2005.

While Albemarle Square represents the better part of the PUD area a number of parcels that were slated for construction remained undeveloped. The repeal would remove the land use requirements specified in the PUD for the undeveloped sites that in many cases is no longer supported by the market. In a letter dated December 4th 2015 to the Baltimore City Planning Department, the Jonestown Planning Council advises of its support for the repeal of the Flag House Courts PUD.

The Department of Housing and Community Development encourages the passage of City Council Bill 16-0622.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government REPRESIDENT'S OFFICE Mr. Colin Tarbert, Deputy Mayor





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