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BOARD OF MUNICIPAL AND ZONING APPEALS

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April 4, 2009

The Honorable President and Members of the City Council City Hall

> Re: City Council Bill #09-0278 – Urban Renewal – Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station – Renewal Area – Designation and Renewal Plan

Ladies and Gentlemen:

City Council Bill No. 09-0278 has been referred by your Honorable Body to the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals for study and report.

The purpose of this legislation is to repeal the existing Reisterstown Plaza Urban Renewal Plan and replace it by designating as a "Renewal Area" an area situated in Baltimore City, Maryland known as Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station, bounded generally by Northern Parkway on the south and east, Reisterstown Road on the north, and the western Baltimore City boundary line on the west; approving a Renewal Plan for Reisterstown Plaza Transit Station; establishing the objectives of the Plan; establishing permitted land uses in the Renewal Area; providing that where there may be a conflict between the provisions of the Renewal Plan and the provisions of any Planned Unit Development; the provisions of the Planned Unit Development control; providing for review of all plans for new construction, exterior rehabilitation, change in use, or demolition of any property; providing that the provisions of the Zoning Code apply to the properties in the Project Area; providing for the term of the Plan; approving an Appendix and certain exhibits to the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

The Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals has reviewed this legislation and the report of the Planning Department. The BMZA concurs with the Planning Department that City Council Bill 09-0278 should be amended and passed.



Sincerely,

David C. Tanner Executive Director

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C.c. Mayors Office of Council Relations Legislative Reference