CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 06-0159R (Resolution)

Introduced by: President Dixon, Councilmembers D'Adamo, Clarke, Young, Harris, Holton, Mitchell, Welch, Curran, Spector, Rawlings Blake, Conaway, Reisinger, Branch Introduced and adopted: March 20, 2006

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

1	Comprehensive Master Plan – Senior Housing
2	For the purpose of urging the Planning Commission to consider the suggestions of the
3	Commission on Aging and Retirement Education when developing a Master Plan for the City
4	of Baltimore.
5	Recitals
6	According to recent statistics, 1 in 7 City residents is over 65 years of age, and by the year
7	2030, 1 in 4 City residents will be senior citizens. Considering these facts and that in the City
8	38% of homeowners are over 60 years of age, the importance of affordable housing for the older
9	adult population is more important than ever.
10	When developing a Master Plan for the City, we must take into consideration the fact of
11	Baltimore's high numbers of low-income minorities with disabilities. We must address this to
12	ensure that there is a development plan to maintain infrastructure and resources to sustain and
13	support our most at-risk older citizens.
14	Quality of life issues for the elderly should be an issue in future City Master Plans. These
15	Plans must address major issues facing our aging population, and certain services must be
16	provided in order to attract older people who already live in the City, as well as those who will
17	hopefully wish to move here in the future.
18	Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council of Baltimore, That this
19	Body urges the Planning Commission to consider the suggestions of the Commission on Aging
20	and Retirement Education when developing a Master Plan for the City of Baltimore.
21	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the
22	Chair and Members of the Planning Commission, the Executive Director of the Commission on
23	Aging and Retirement Education, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the Council.