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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle Room 400 - City Hall

I am herein reporting on Mayor and City Council Resolution 11-0002 introduced by Council President Young on behalf of the Administration (Downtown Partnership of Baltimore).

The purpose of the Bill is to renew and continue the Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority, subject to certain conditions, for an additional five years; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Downtown Management District and Downtown Management Authority.

Ordinance 92-057 authorized the creation of the Downtown Management District (hereinafter known as "the District") and the Downtown Management Authority (hereinafter known as "the Authority"). Section 12(a) of the enabling ordinance (now known as Article 14, Section 1-20 of the Baltimore City Revised Code) provides that no sooner than four years and no later than five years from the passage of the ordinance, the City Council must hold a public hearing to evaluate the activities and undertakings of the Authority and the District, and must determine whether opposition to continue the District exists in excess of certain levels. The following resolutions renewed and continued the District and the Authority for consecutive five year terms: Resolution 96-005, ending June 30, 2002; Resolution 02-026, ending June 30, 2007; and Resolution 07-022, ending June 30, 2012.

Mayor and City Council Resolution 11-0002, if approved, would renew and continue the District and the Authority for an additional five years, ending June 30, 2017. This Department congratulates the Authority on its accomplishments in the District since its inception in 1992. The activities of the Downtown Guides, Clean Sweep Ambassadors, Park Stewards, and Streetscape and beautification programs in particular, complement the work of our Department. As a partner in the effort to keep the Downtown area a vital and attractive place for all who live, work, or visit the area, I look forward to future collaborations.

The Department of Public Works supports passage of Mayor and City Council Resolution 11-0002.

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