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TO:

President and Members of the City Council

Baltimore City Council

FROM:

John P. Stewart, Executive Director

Commission on Aging and Retirement Education (CARE)

DATE:

September 10, 2009

RE:

City Council Bill 09-0386

POSITION: SUPPORT

City Council Bill 09-0386 was submitted at the request of Dulaney Valley Assisted Living, c/o Jessica Mayne who is seeking to expand Evergreen Valley Assisted Living on the property known as 3009 Evergreen Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21214. Mrs. Mayne is currently licensed for 12 residents at this facility, and is requesting to increase the number by 3 for a maximum number of 15 residents at this location. The facility is a 3-story detached house. The first floor has a large living room, dining area, kitchen, and three bedrooms. The second floor has four bedrooms and the third floor has one bedroom. Mrs. Mayne is licensed to provide Level 3 care, which is the most intensive level of care provided in assisted living facilities.

The community association is in favor of the Assisted Living facility which is located in the Hamilton community. The sponsor of this bill is Councilman Robert Curran. The home as been in operation for 15 years and has operated within the guidelines established for assisted living facilities, including:

- Provision of 24 hour supervision
- Compliance with all applicable federal, state and local licensing and certification requirements.

Off street parking is available in the front of the property which also has a side large parking lot. Adequate parking is available to accommodate staff. The owner and staff person has received training and education in CPR and food safety. All staff is certified for medication administration.



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This facility will offer accessible assisted housing options and services to the elderly population residing in this corridor of Baltimore City. Assisted Living facilities offer a viable community-based alternative living environment for individuals whose choose to remain independent, but require supportive and assistive care outside of an institutional setting.

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