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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 East Fayette Street, Room 527		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 15-0549		

TO

The Honorable President and Members  
of the City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin  
Room 400 City Hall

July 27, 2015

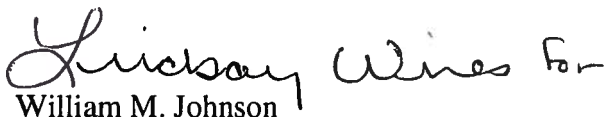
I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 15-0549, Release of Right-of-Way - a 20-Foot Wide Right-of-Way through the Former Bed of Tyson Street. This bill is for authorizing the release and surrender by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore of all its interests in and to the 20-foot wide right-of-way heretofore granted the City of Baltimore through the former bed of Tyson Street, extending from West Franklin Street northerly 380 feet, more or less, to West Centre Street, in the vicinity of North Howard Street and Park Avenue, the location and course of the 20-foot wide right-of-way to be released being shown on a plat numbered RW 20-36387 in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

DOT supports this bill.

This former bed of Tyson Street was originally closed by public ordinance on May 9, 1941. After recently developing the former Hochschild Kohn Warehouse into apartment buildings at 520 Park Avenue, the Time Group plans to develop a companion project for a six-story, 153-unit apartment building and retail space at 500 Park Avenue. As part of this development, any utilities located in the subject property will either be relocated or abandoned. Therefore, this property no longer has any public use and is available for release.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,

  
Leticia Wines for  
William M. Johnson  
Director

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Cc: Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison

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