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Honorable President Stephanie Rawlings Blake
Members of the City Council
Baltimore City Council
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: **Council Bill # 09-0328**
City Property-Naming of the Visitors' Orientation and Education
Center of the Cylburn Arboretum Association to be the Vollmer
Center

Dear President Rawlings-Blake:

City Council Bill # 09-0328 is for the purpose of naming the Visitors' Orientation and Education Center of the Cylburn Arboretum Association, located at 4915 Greenspring Avenue, to be the Vollmer Center.

The Department of Recreation and Parks feels strongly that the new Orientation and Education Center at the Cylburn Arboretum in Druid Hill Park be named in honor of Pauline Vollmer. Thanks to her very generous donation of \$1,000,000, this facility has become a beautiful reality, and an outstanding addition to the long list of this great city's accomplishments and attractions.

We, therefore, **support** Council Bill # 09-0328 which requests that Pauline Vollmer be given the fitting recognition she so justly deserves by naming Cylburn's new Orientation and Education Center in honor of this fine benefactor to both the City of Baltimore and the Department of Recreation and Parks.

Respectfully yours,

Wanda S. Durden
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Cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to City Council

