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Honorable President Bernard Young Members of the City Council **Baltimore City Council** 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE:

Council Bill # 12-0170

Wireless Communications Antennae – Prohibited Contracts

Dear President Young:

The Department of Recreation and Parks is reporting on City Council Bill # 12-0170. This Bill is for the purpose of prohibiting contracts or other authorizations for the placement of wireless telecommunications antennae on property that is owned or controlled by the City of Baltimore and used for the recreation, care, or education of children; defining certain terms; and providing for a special effective date.

We have reviewed Council Bill 12-0170 and can appreciate its possible intent. However, we wish to defer to the expertise of the Law Department in rendering an opinion on this piece of legislation.

Therefore, the Department of Recreation and Parks is deferring to the Law Department in the matter of Council Bill 12-0170.

Respectfully yours,

Director

EWB:VSO

cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to City Council

Defer?