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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Baltimore City Recreation & Parks 3001 East Drive		
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill#15-0511-Baltimore City Landmark List- Patterson Park		

**TO** The Honorable President and Members of Baltimore City Council, Room 400, Baltimore City Hall

DATE: October 18, 2016

Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks (BCRP) fully supports Bill #15-0511 to designate Patterson Park as a historical landmark.

The Patterson Park Master Plan, approved by the Planning Commission in March 2016, recommended that the community and the Department explore options and opportunities to designate the park a landmark. Discussions were held with the community and with the staff of the Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation during the process of developing the master plan as well as in August 2016.

The CHAP report specifies built structures and landscape features of historic value within the park that will require careful CHAP review as well as those that do not contribute to the historic character of the park and not require CHAP review. The distinction between features and areas of historic and non historic value allow the park to retain and preserve its historical character while allowing the Department to maintain, demolish or adapt features of non historic value. BCRP will continue to consult with CHAP staff to ensure that the historic character and park context.

- cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to City Council
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