



## MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Christine Griffin, Deputy Director of Policy and Government Relations, Office of the  
Comptroller

Date: April 3, 2024

Re: CCB 24-0493 Sale of Property - 1807 Harlem Avenue

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### **Position: Favorable**

The Department of Real Estate (DORE) is herein reporting on City Council bill 24-0493 Sale of Property - 1807 Harlem Avenue (Block 0108, Lot 030), which is for the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in the property that is located at 1807 Harlem Avenue and is no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

### **Background**

As part of the 21st Century Schools Initiative, Baltimore City Schools must surplus 26 school buildings owned by the Mayor and City Council over the next ten years and determine the reuse of each site.

In accordance with this Initiative, the City is proposing to sell the 1.22-acre parcel known as the former Harriet Tubman Elementary School, later Roots and Branches Charter School, located at 1807 Harlem Avenue in the Harlem Park Community, to the Little Flowers Early Childhood and Development Center, Inc.

This sale and proposed reuse have the potential to significantly contribute to the ongoing residential development in the 1500- 1600 block of Edmondson Avenue, the 500 block of N. Gilmore Street, and the 500 block of N. Mount Street, thereby enhancing the quality of life for the residents in these areas.

### **Ordinance**

A City ordinance is necessary to authorize the sale of 1807 Harlem Avenue.

**The Department of Real Estate respectfully requests a favorable report enabling this ordinance.**