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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary 409 City Hall Baltimore, MD 21202

> RE: City Council Bill 10-0445-Public Ethics Law- Ethics Board Composition, Tenure, etc.-Ethics Training

Dear President and Members:

You have requested the advice of the Ethics Board with regard to City Council Bill 10-0445.. The bill provides for a reconstituted Baltimore City Ethics Board. The bill also requires certain board members to attend ethics training and requires the Ethics Board to submit an annual report. Finally, the bill adds the Finance Board, the Local Development Council, South Baltimore Video Lottery Terminal and the Pimlico Community Development Authority to the list of entities whose officials must file financial disclosure statements.

The Ethics Board fully supports City Council Bill 10-0445. After review and consideration of the bill, the Ethics Board found no provision that presents a procedural or substantive concern. The Ethics Board looks forward to providing all of the assistance necessary to effect its requirements when approved.

Sincerely yours,

Dana P. Moore

Chair

Baltimore City Ethics Board

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