



STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE
Mayor

Monday, March 11, 2013

To the Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
C/O Karen Randle
Room 400, City Hall

RE: City Council Bill 13-0097R

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 13-0097R, introduced by Councilmembers Clarke, Henry, Kraft, Mosby, Middleton, Stokes, Cole, Scott, Welch, Reisinger, and President Young.

The purpose of the Resolution is to call on the City and external agencies concerned with homelessness in Baltimore to appear before the City Council to discuss the status of and proposals for any revisions to Baltimore City's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness.

The recalibration of the 10 Year Plan at this half-way mark is appropriate. As we have learned from other jurisdictions that have been successful in moving forward the goals of 10 Year Plans, the revision or recalibration of the Plans at regular intervals is essential to ensuring that the Plans remain relevant. Additionally, as noted in the Draft revision, there have been numerous changes in the Federal legislation, the economic landscape, and changes in the City, that have a significant impact on the goals/objectives of the Plan, as it had been written. The revision provides an opportunity to include other populations that had been neglected in the original, including families with children. I have attached the draft revised Plan, for your information.

The Homeless Services Program of the Mayor's Office of Human Services intends to appear before it to discuss the status of and proposals for any revisions to Baltimore City's 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness, as requested.

Sincerely,

Kate Briddell
Director, Homeless Services Program

