

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM:

M. J. Brodie, President Groclie

DATE:

June 1, 2010

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill No. 10-0486

Fells Point Historic District

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0486. This Bill would amend the Fells Point Historic District, established in 2007 by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, by removing certain properties from the District's boundaries and restate the revised boundaries.

The removal of individual properties from historic districts across the City at the request of certain property owners may undermine the effectiveness of the districts and purposes for which they were established, mainly, to preserve the historic and unique qualities of Baltimore City neighborhoods. For this reason, the Baltimore Development Corporation is unable to support the proposed bill as drafted.

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