CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 18-0063R (Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Cohen, President Young, Councilmembers Middleton, Costello, Scott, Pinkett, Stokes, Dorsey, Burnett, Sneed, Henry, Bullock, Clarke, Schleifer Introduced and adopted: January 8, 2018

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

1	Supporting Emergency Action for Our Students
2 3 4 5 6	FOR the purpose of calling on all local, state, and federal partners to collaborate in fully investing in and supporting Baltimore City Public School's facilities, and calling on Baltimore City Public Schools to work with the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks and other partners to adjust the school closure food policies to ensure all children have access to meals in the event of school closures.
7	Recitals
8 9 10 11 12	The inhumane conditions facing students in some Baltimore City Public Schools constitutes a crisis of enduring injustice. The City Council of Baltimore calls for immediate and ongoing collaboration between City, State, and federal officials to fully invest in and support the construction and maintenance of all Baltimore City Public School facilities and create conditions that are worthy of our children.
13 14 15 16 17	Further, this resolution recognizes the swift action taken by Mayor Catherine Pugh to change City Schools' lunch policy to ensure all students have access to meals whenever school facilities are closed. We seek to have this change codified by the Baltimore City Public School system through an amended policy in collaboration with City agencies so that anytime individual schools are cancelled, students are still able to receive meals.
18 19 20 21 22 23	Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Council calls on all local, state, and federal partners to collaborate in fully investing in and supporting Baltimore City Public Schools, and calls on Baltimore City Public Schools to work with the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks and other partners to adjust the school closure food policies to ensure all children have access to meals in the event of school closures.
24 25 26	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the CEO of Baltimore City Public Schools, the Director Recreation and Parks, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.