

MEMORANDUM

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE,

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: April 4, 2014

Re:

City Council Bill 14-0324 - Charles Village Community Benefits District and

Management Authority

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 14-0324 which was introduced for the purpose of renewing and continuing the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to the activities and authority of the Charles Village Community Benefits District and Management Authority.

City Council Bill 14-0324, if approved, would continue the Charles Village Community Benefits District and its Management Authority through June 30, 2018. The Charles Village Community Benefits District was established in 1994 to supplement public safety and sanitation service and conduct community outreach programs. All of these programs provide for a safer and stronger community that is a better place to live, work and shop.

The Department of Housing and Community Development applauds the efforts and accomplishments of the Charles Village Community District and Management Authority and supports the adoption of City Council Bill 14- 0324 so they can continue their important role for another 4 years.

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Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Chief