



MEMORANDUM

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PAUL T. GRAZIANO,

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: February 5, 2011

Re: **City Council Bill 10-0592 - Urban Renewal - Oldtown - Amendment** _

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0592, which was introduced for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Oldtown to allow a conditional use, upon approval by separate ordinance, on the property known as 533/535 Oldtown Mall; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable.

The petitioner has operated a pawnshop at the Oldtown Mall for several years and this proposed legislation would permit the relocation of the business from its previous location at 529 Oldtown Mall to its new location, just two doors north, at 533/535 Oldtown Mall. The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the adoption of City Council Bill 10-0592 and defer to the Planning Commission for further comment or amendment.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, *Deputy Mayor*

