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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 15-0585 – Tax Credits – Historic Properties

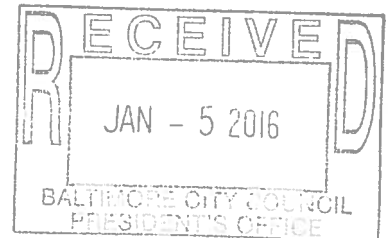
Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0585 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would amend language in Section 10-8 of Article 28 of the City Code concerning the City's implementation of the statewide optional historic property tax credit. These amendments are consistent with the state law enabling the City to provide this real property tax credit. Md. Code, Tax Prop., §9-204.1. They are also consistent with the existing rules on the real property tax credit for High-Performance Market Rate Rental Housing Projects. City Code, Art. 28, §§10-8(i); 10-18(e) (preventing the receipt of a credit for High-Performance Market Rate Rental Housing Projects that include improvements eligible for the historic credit).

The Law Department approves this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Solicitor



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