

MEMORANDUM

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PAUL T. GRAZIANO, Executive Director, HABO Commissioner, HCD

To:

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: November 22, 2010

Re: City Council Bill 10-0613 - Rezoning - 1746 Ashland Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0613, which was introduced for the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 1746 Ashland Avenue (Block 1584, Lot 1) from the R-8 Zoning District, a residential designation, to the B-2-3 Zoning District, a business designation.

This rezoning will facilitate the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's future occupancy at the New East Baltimore Community site. Rezoning to a more business oriented designation appears to be consistent with the character of surrounding properties and the Master Plan for the East Baltimore Community.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 10-0613.

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cc:

Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

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Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, Deputy Mayor

