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**TO**

The Honorable President and Members  
of the Baltimore City Council  
c/o Karen Randle  
Room 400 - City Hall

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I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 09-0382 introduced by Council President Rawlings Blake on behalf of the Administration (Department of Public Works).

The purpose of the Bill is to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain parcels of land known as a portion of 1900 Argonne Drive, Lot 2A, Block 5387 and a portion of Lot 2, Block 5387 and no longer needed for public use.

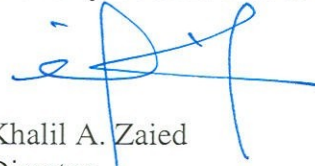
Morgan State University has an east side campus roadway known as the Perimeter Road, which runs between Cold Spring Lane and Argonne Drive. The southern terminus is through a parking lot to the west of the Northeast District Police Station, exiting onto the northern side of Argonne Drive. The Department of Transportation was constructing a streetscape project along Argonne Drive at the same time that Morgan State University wished to align Perimeter Road with the entrance to its office facilities on the southern side of Argonne Drive. The realignment would require moving the interior roadway to the east of the Northeast Police District building. To accommodate these adjustments while the streetscape project was underway, Morgan State University and the City of Baltimore entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), approved by the Board of Estimates on June 6, 2007, that spelled out how the realignment of the Perimeter Road will be accommodated.

Under the terms of the MOU, two City-owned parcels known as Lots 2 and 2A (1900 Argonne Drive, the location of the Police District) of Block 5387 are impacted by the realignment. A portion of Lot 2 adjacent to the east side of Lot 2A and roughly parallel to the shared border, then turning in a northwesterly direction and ending at the northeast corner of Lot 2A, would become part of the newly aligned Perimeter Road, as would a triangular portion of the northeast corner of Lot 2A. In exchange for the two portions of City-owned land, Morgan State University will exchange portions of its property that parallel the length of the west side of Lot 2A and the north side of Lot 2A, to the point where the triangular portion of Lot 2A ends. The City would have the right to use the new Perimeter Road to access the Northeastern District parking area and to access and maintain the storm drains serving the Police District. The property that the City receives in the exchange will be paved and striped by the University and used as part of the District parking lot. Additional lighting, a concrete dumpster pad, and sodding of the old driveway will also be done by the University.

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The Department of General Services supports passage of City Council Bill 09-0382.



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