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PAUL T. GRAZIANO
Executive Director, HABC
Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: November 30, 2015

Re: **City Council Bill 15-0573 - Rezoning – 502 Albemarle Street and a Portion of Duker Alley**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0573, for the purpose of changing the zoning for the property known as 502 Albemarle Street from the B-3-2 Zoning District and the M-2-2 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District, and by changing the zoning for a portion of the property known as Duker Alley from the M-2-2 Zoning District to the B-2-4 Zoning District.

If enacted, this bill would allow rezoning from the M-2-2 and B-3-2 to the B-2-4 zoning for a .074 acre site on Albemarle Street. The property is adjacent to a proposed site for high rise mixed-use development on 801-809 Eastern Avenue. The new zoning would make the property more consistent with the neighborhood and the proposed new mixed-use development site.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 15-0573.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Mr. Colin Tarbert, *Deputy Mayor*

