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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: ^{KW P/TG} Paul T. Graziano, Commissioner

Date: September 6, 2016

Re: **City Council Bill 15-0575 - Rezoning – 1520-1530 Beason Street, 1600 Beason Street, and 1220 Towson Street**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0575, for the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 1520-1530 Beason Street, 1600 Beason Street, and 1220 Towson Street from the M-2-2 Zoning District to the B-1-3 Zoning District.

If enacted, this bill would support the development of approximately 47 townhomes on the northeastern corner of the intersection of Beason and Cooksie Streets in Locust Point. The lots are currently zone M-2-2 and are surrounded by R-8 residential properties. We have read the Planning Commission's report and agree with the amendment to rezone the properties from M-2-2 to the R-8 district versus the B-1-3 district as requested in the bill.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 15-0575 with the proposed amendment as approved by the Planning Commission.

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

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