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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 19-0437 – City Streets– Opening – North Durham Street

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0437 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the City to condemn and open North Durham Street from East Eager Street northerly for approximately 433 feet to the south side of East Chase Street, declaring it no longer needed for public use, which it no longer needs.

Section (34) of Article II of the City Charter grants the Mayor and City Council the power to “construct, open, extend, widen, straighten or close streets, bridges, tunnels or approaches to them and other public ways of every kind within the bounds of the City.” Section 116(b)(2) of Article VII of the City Charter requires the Department of Transportation to prepare all ordinances for the opening and closing of streets.

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

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Hilary Ruley", is written over a faint circular stamp.

Hilary Ruley
Chief Solicitor

cc: Andre M. Davis, City Solicitor
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