



MEMORANDUM

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RAWLINGS-BLAKE,

PAUL T. GRAZIANO,

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
c/o Karen Randle, *Executive Secretary*

From: Paul T. Graziano, *Commissioner*

Date: April 29, 2014

Re: **City Council Bill 14 - 0331**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 14-0331, which was introduced for the purpose of authorizing 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 the former beds of certain alleys bounded by East 21st Street, Greenmount Avenue, East 20th Street, and Barclay Street (Ward 12, Section 12, Block 3805) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

City Council Bill 14-0331, if approved, would authorize the sale of streets and alleys that were closed to public use by companion City Council Bill 14-0330, to facilitate the continued phased revitalization of the Barclay and Old Goucher neighborhoods by Telesis Corporation. The phased development will transform the neighborhood into a stable, mixed-income community with quality open spaces, community facilities and employment opportunities.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the adoption of City Council Bill 14-0331.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, *Mayor's Office of Government Relations*
Ms. Kaliope Parthemos, *Deputy Chief*

