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The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary
Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 10-0589 – Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 10-0589 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would amend the Solid Waste Management Plan for Baltimore City to add L&J Waste Recycling, LLC to the descriptions of disposal facilities locations that are included in the approved plan, and would provide for a specific effective date.

In general, a City Council resolution is “an expression of opinion or mind concerning some particular item of business coming within the legislative body’s official cognizance.” *Inlet Assocs. v. Assateague House Condominium Assoc.*, 313 Md. 413 (1988) (*quoting* McQuillin Municipal Corporations § 15.02 (3rd ed. 1981)). City Council Bill 10-00589 notifies the Maryland Department of the Environment that, upon review of the Solid Waste Management Plan in its entirety, L&J Waste Recycling, LLC will be added to Section 3.4, which describes the waste disposal facility locations within the City, and Appendix B of the Plan, which lists recycling companies and facilities included in the Plan.

Council Bill 10-0589 is an appropriate resolution to express the Council’s desire to notify the Maryland Department of the Environment of the proposed change to the Solid Waste Management Plan for Baltimore City to include L&J Waste Recycling, LLC in the descriptions of disposal facilities locations and the list of recycling companies and facilities.

The Law Department therefore approves City Council Bill 10-0589 for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,


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