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

Re: City Council Bill 22-0095R –The Baltimore City Comprehensive Economic
Development Strategy – Baltimore Together: A Platform for Inclusive Prosperity

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 22-0095R for form and legal sufficiency. A City Council resolution such as this one 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.*, 545 A.2d 1296, 1303 (Md. 1988) (quoting *McQuillin Mun. Corp.* § 15:2 (3rd Ed.)). Council Bill 21-0095R is an appropriate vehicle to endorse, recognize, and adopt “Baltimore Together: A Platform for Inclusive Prosperity” as the City’s official Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

Accordingly, the Law Department is prepared to approve Council Bill 22-0095R for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

Victor K. Tervala

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