

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 11-0321R
(Resolution)**

Introduced by: Councilmembers Kraft, Henry, Middleton, D'Adamo, Stokes, Branch, Cole, Clarke, President Young, Councilmembers Conaway, Welch
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A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

1 In Support of St. Casimir Students' Efforts to Safeguard the Chesapeake Bay

2 FOR the purpose of expressing support for the ideas put forth by the students of St. Casimir
3 Catholic School with the goal of improving the health of the Chesapeake Bay and other local
4 water sources, specifying the strategies suggested by these students, and calling upon leaders
5 in Baltimore City and in the State of Maryland to focus their efforts on this critical issue.

6 **WHEREAS**, The students of St. Casimir Catholic School, located in the Canton neighborhood
7 of Baltimore City, have worked diligently to draft legislation to make Baltimore City a better
8 place.

9 **WHEREAS**, The students determined that the health of the Chesapeake Bay and other local
10 water sources is of critical importance to the well-being of Baltimore residents.

11 **WHEREAS**, As the result of an in-depth review process the students have offered a
12 comprehensive list of strategies, including:

- 13 • Making proper disposal of waste more accessible by providing additional trash and
14 recycling bins, especially near the water, and increasing collection for these bins;
- 15 • Designating officers to patrol for problem behaviors such as littering;
- 16 • Creating a community clean-up organization;
- 17 • Utilizing volunteers to clean the water on a regularly scheduled basis;
- 18 • Building blockades to prevent trash from drifting into the open water; and
- 19 • Improving the city's drainage system.

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, that the
21 Council supports the ideas put forth by the students of St. Casimir Catholic School with the goal
22 of improving the health of the Chesapeake Bay and other local water sources and calls upon
23 leaders in Baltimore City and in the State of Maryland to focus their efforts on this critical issue.

24 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the
25 Honorable Members of the 46th Legislative District Delegation, the Director of the Department
26 of Public Works, the Principal of St. Casimir Catholic School, and the Mayor's Legislative
27 Liaison to the City Council.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
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