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	Subject	Council Bill 11-0706 Zoning - Conditional Use Housing for the Elderly - 5500 Wabash Avenue			

To: President and Members
of the City Council
c/o 409 City Hall

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The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) has reviewed Council Bill 11-0706- Zoning - Conditional Housing for the Elderly – 5500 Wabash Avenue. Councilwoman R. Spector submitted this bill at the request of CSI Support and Development Services for the purpose of building and operating housing for the elderly at the property known as 5500 Wabash Avenue, Baltimore 21207. This project will be in accordance with Baltimore City Zoning Code §§ 7-408(1) and 14-102, and subject to all applicable federal, state, and local licensing and certification requirements. The site for this project is located at the corner of Wabash and North Rogers avenue. The lot is currently a wooded area, so forest conservation will be required.

The proposed project has received support from the surrounding communities. The project will construct 57 unit housings for the elderly ages 62 and older. Three of the units will be ADA accessible, and an additional two units will be designed to accommodate seniors with hearing/vision impairments. All units will be outfitted with fire alarms and pull cord systems. There will be adequate parking to accommodate staff with a planned lot of 36 spaces (2 of which will be handicap spaces). Off street parking is available in the rear of the property.

This facility will offer accessible assisted housing options and services to elderly population residing in this corridor of Baltimore City. Assisted Living facilities offer a viable community based alternative living environment for individuals whose choose to remain independent, but require supportive and assistive care outside of an institutional setting.

Office of Aging and CARE Services supports this development, which will increase the number of housing units in the city of Baltimore for the Elderly and Disabled population. This Housing Development will be a viable asset to the Community and citizens of Baltimore.

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