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

Re: City Council Bill 22-0092R – Investigative Hearing – Addressing Vacant Housing Through General Obligation Bonds

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 22-0092R for form and legal sufficiency. This resolution calls on representatives from several agencies to appear before City Council to discuss using General Obligation Bonds to assist with vacant housing.

A resolution is an appropriate way for the City Council of Baltimore to express its views on a particular matter. *See, e.g., Inlet Assocs. v. Assateague House Condominium,* 313 Md. 413, 428 (1988). Therefore, the Law Department approves this Resolution for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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