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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 22-0291 - Urban Renewal - Market Center – Amendment

President and City Council Members:

The Law Department reviewed City Council Bill 2-0291 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill amends the Urban Renewal Plan for Market Center to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Market Center Urban Renewal Area for an additional four years in compliance with MD Real Property Art., § 12-105.1. The bill also waives certain content and procedural requirements, makes the provisions of the ordinance severable, provides for the application of the ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances, and provides for a special effective date. The proposed change to the existing language of the Urban Renewal Plan provides for a new termination date.

A change to an Urban Renewal Plan must be made by ordinance. See City Code, Art. 13, § 2-6(g). Council Bill 22-0291 is the appropriate means by which to initiate a change to the Market Center Urban Renewal Plan. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michele Toth".

Michele Toth  
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