

# **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** December 15. 2022

**TO:** Economics and Community Development Committee

**FROM:** Colin Tarbert, President and CEO

**POSITION:** Favorable

**SUBJECT:** Council Bill 22-0277

#### INTRODUCTION

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) is reporting on City Council Bill 22-0277 introduced by Councilmember Torrence.

#### **PURPOSE**

This bill would establish the Reed Calloway House at 1316 North Carey Street as a historical landmark.

### **BRIEF HISTORY**

The Reed Calloway House is a childhood home of great Baltimore jazz and entertainment icon Cab Calloway. Given the proximity of the house to Pennsylvania Avenue, one of the foremost hotbeds of jazz music in the country, and the current location of Baltimore's Black Arts District, preservation of this property stands to serve both as a historical remembrance of once of the City's greats, and as an potential economic development attraction in this reemerging arts corridor.

## **FISCAL IMPACT [to BDC]**

None.

## **AGENCY POSITION**

The Baltimore Development Corporation respectfully requests a **favorable** report on City Council Bill 22-0277 If you have any questions, please contact Kim Clark at 410-837-9305 or KClark@baltimoredevelopment.com.

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