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To: Honorable President Mosby, and Honorable Members of the Baltimore City Council

Room 400 City Hall

From: Deputy Chief James Wallace, Director, Office of Emergency Management

501 N. Calvert St - Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

Date: October 18, 2022

RE: City Council Bill #22-0091R

The proposed legislation invites leaders of the City's public safety agencies to appear before the City Council to discuss how post-traumatic stress symptoms, compassion fatigue, and burnout impact first responders as well as inform members of the council about efforts currently in place.

The Office of Emergency Management respectfully requests that you refer to the response submitted by the Baltimore City Fire Department as it details the resources, services, and interventions available to members of the agency of which we are a part.

The Office of Emergency Management looks forward to the discussion around this issue.

Very respectfully,

Chief James W. Wallace

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