| F<br>R | NAME & TITLE          | Corren Johnson, Interim Director                                     | CITY of   |                |
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|        | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | Department of Transportation (DOT)<br>417 E Fayette Street, Room 527 | BALTIMORE |                |
| M      | SUBJECT               | City Council Bill 22-0291  | ΜΕΜΟ      | and the second |

DATE: 2/26/23

TO: Mayor Brandon M. Scott TO: Economic & Community Development Committee FROM: Department of Transportation POSITION: **No Objection** RE: Council Bill – 22-0291

**INTRODUCTION** – Urban Renewal - Market Center - Amendment

<u>PURPOSE/PLANS</u> – For the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Market Center to reauthorize the acquisition of properties within the Project Area; to extend the life of the Plan; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

<u>COMMENTS</u> – Council Bill 22-0291 looks to amend the existing Urban Renewal Plan for Market Center that was initially established in 1977 and last amended in 2018. Amendments to the existing Urban Renewal Plan for Market Center are necessary to reauthorize the Urban Renewal Plan's ability to acquire and condemn properties within the Market Center Urban Renewal Area boundaries. Council Bill 22-0291 proposes to extend the authority for property acquisition and condemnation from December 31, 2022, to December 31, 2026.

<u>AGENCY/DEPARTMENT POSITION</u> – Baltimore City DOT does not foresee an immediate operational or fiscal impact resulting from the legislation and has **no objection** towards the advancement of Council Bill 22-0291.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Liam Davis at Liam.Davis@baltimorecity.gov or at 410-545-3207.

Sincerely,

Corren Johnson Interim Director