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TO	The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
FROM	Corren Johnson, Director – Department of Transportation
DATE	October 10, 2024
SUBJECT	24-0597 City Property - Renaming Riverside Park Pool to the Congressman Elijah E. Cummings Community Pool

Position: Support

Introduction

For the purpose of condemning and closing certain streets and alleys, bounded by West Mulberry Street, North Schroeder Street, West Fairmount Avenue and North Stockton Street, lying within the Poppleton Urban Renewal Area, as shown on a plat numbered 343-A-27A, Sheets 1 through 6, dated January 16, 2024, prepared by the Survey Section and filed in the Office of the Department of Transportation; and providing for a special effective date.

DOT Analysis

Council Bill 24-0597 would name the Riverside Park Pool on 1800 Covington Street after Congressman Elijah E. Cummings, who represented much of Baltimore City from 1995 until his death in 2019. Early on, Cummings would be known for his active role in the Civil Rights Movement. As a Congressman, Cummings worked on and cosponsored legislation focused on safeguarding civil rights and improving public health, among others. A Baltimore City native, Cummings was an active member of his community and a lifelong advocate for the oppressed and underprivileged, from Baltimore to the Capitol.

Conclusion

The Department recognizes the legislative accomplishments of Congressman Cummings and supports to the advancement of Council Bill 24-0597.