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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Karen Randle, Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re:

City Council Bill 09-0426 - Urban Renewal - Harlem Park Project II -

Amendment

Dear Mr. President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 09-0426, introduced for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for the Harlem Park Project II to amend the uses permitted in certain areas of the plan, to revise an exhibit to reflect the changes in the Plan, and provide that to the extent there exists any conflict between the provisions of the Renewal Plan and any approved Planned Unit Designation ("PUD") legislation, the PUD controls. The bill has a special effective date.

Council Bill 09-0426 would amend an urban renewal plan. As such, it should be adopted in accordance with §2-6 of Article 13 of the Baltimore City Code. Before the bill is adopted, it must be reviewed and reported on by the Planning Commission and the Department of Housing and Community Development. In addition, it must be heard at a properly noticed public hearing, at which interested parties and citizens have an opportunity to be heard.

Subject to the procedural requirements under Article 13, §2-6, the Law Department approves Council Bill 09-0426.

Very truly yours,

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