

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable President and Members of the City Council

Attention: Karen Randle, Executive Secretary

FROM:

Brenda McKenzie, President and CEO

DATE:

October 10, 2013

SUBJECT:

City Council Bill No. 13-0266

Minority and Women's Business Enterprises - Program Extension

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) has been asked to comment on *City Council Bill No. 13-0266 - Minority and Women's Business Enterprises - Program Extension* an ordinance for the purpose of extending the Minority and Women's Business Program by four (4) months.

BDC believes this extension is necessary to continue the City's commitment to MBE/WBE participation in the many development opportunities occurring throughout the City. The MBE/WBE program ensure that where City assistance has been provided to private developers, certified MBE/WBE firms will share in the contracts generated by development projects. BDC consider the MBE/WBE program a success within the City and strongly supports passage of this bill.

cc:

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