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Honorable President Bernard Young Members of the City Council Baltimore City Council 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> RF. Council Bill # 13-0277

> > Video Lottery Terminal Capital appropriation Transfer -Department of Housing and Community Development (Account #9910-905962-9587)-\$1,087,000 to the Department of Recreation and Parks (Account #9938-918032-9475 - \$453,000), the Department of Transportation (Account #9950-916050-9528 - \$380,000), Baltimore Development Corporation (Account #9910-921100-9600 - \$130,000), and the Department of General Services (Account #9916-920020-9194 - \$115,000)

Dear President Young:

The Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks supports this legislation that is for the purpose of transferring a Video Lottery Terminal Capital Appropriation from the Department of Housing and Community Development (Account #9910-905962-9587)-\$1,087,000 to the Department of Recreation and Parks (Account #9938-918032-9475 - \$453,000), the Department of Transportation (Account #9950-916050-9528 -\$380,000), Baltimore Development Corporation (Account #9910-921100-9600 -\$130,000), and the Department of General Services (Account #9916-920020-9194 -\$115,000) to fund Northwest Neighborhood Improvements capital projects: and providing for a special effective date.

This capital appropriation transfer will fund Department of Recreation and Parks projects that will include Luckman Park signage, pavements, benches and trash cans and park kick-off celebration; Cross Country Creek Park beautification that will include planters for flowers and benches; Northwest Park Master Plan, particularly the playground, ADA paths, stone wall repair and ball field improvements; Pimlico Safety Academy to improve the existing ball field to create multi-use fields and build a separate parking area for the field as well as walking paths.







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The Department of Recreation and Parks **supports** passage of City Council Bill #13-0277.

Respectfully,

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Director

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cc: Angela Gibson, Liaison to City Council