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

> City Council Bill 14-0396 - City Property - Naming the Leith Walk Re:

Recreation Center to be the Kenneth N. Harris Community Center

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 14-0396 for form and legal sufficiency. Article 5, Subsection 20 of the City Code requires that property owned by the Mayor and City Council be renamed by ordinance. See City Code, Article 5, §20-1, et. seq. The bill must be referred for comment to the municipal agency that "has or will have control over the property." City Code, Article 5, §20-2(b)(1)(ii). This bill was referred to the City Solicitor, the Planning Commission, the Department of Real Estate and the Department of Recreation and Parks. Presumably, the Department of Recreation and Parks is the agency to control this property. If so, the Department does have a naming policy for its facilities. Provided that the policy has been complied with, the Law Department can approve the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely yours,

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