

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 14-0444
(First Reader)**

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Department of Transportation)
Introduced and read first time: October 6, 2014
Assigned to: Land Use and Transportation Committee

REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning

2 **Zoning – Sign Regulations – “Sponsor-a-Road” Signs**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting from the Zoning Code’s sign regulations certain signs posted by or
4 on behalf of the City to acknowledge business entities or other persons sponsoring a street-
5 maintenance-services program.

6 BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments

7 Article - Zoning
8 Section(s) 11-103
9 Baltimore City Revised Code
10 (Edition 2000)

11 **SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the
12 Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

13 **Baltimore City Revised Code**

14 **Article – Zoning**

15 **Title 11. Sign Regulations**

16 ***Subtitle 1. Definitions; Overview***

17 **§ 11-103. Exemptions from sign regulations.**

18 This title does not apply to any of the following:

- 19 (1) flags or emblems of a national or political subdivision or of a patriotic, religious,
20 philanthropic, civic, or educational organization;
- 21 (2) governmental signs and lights for control of traffic and other regulatory purposes;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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- 1 (3) street signs, ordinary house numbers, “No Parking” signs, and “No Trespassing”
2 signs;
- 3 (4) railroad-crossing signs, danger signs, and signs of public service companies indicating
4 danger or aids to service or safety;
- 5 (5) official public notices or notices posted by public officers in performance of their
6 duties;
- 7 (6) memorial plaques, cornerstones, and historical tablets;
- 8 (7) SIGNS POSTED BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF A PUBLIC
9 STREET OR ROAD TO ACKNOWLEDGE BUSINESS ENTITIES OR OTHER PERSONS
10 SPONSORING A STREET-MAINTENANCE-SERVICES PROGRAM; or
- 11 (8) [(7)] temporary signs in connection with civic non-commercial health, art, safety, and
12 welfare campaigns, but the sponsoring organization must remove them promptly at
13 the conclusion of the campaign.

14 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
15 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
16 Ordinance.

17 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day
18 after the date it is enacted.