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DEPARTMENT OF LAW

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

Re: City Council Bill 14-0429 -Sale of Property- Former Beds of Wills Street

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 14-0429 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would allow the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell property, at either public or private sale, all its interest in a certain parcel of land known as the former bed of Wills Street, extending from Philpot Street southerly 477.0 feet, more or less, to the end thereof (Ward 03, Section 07, Block 1815) and no longer needed for public use; and providing for an immediate effective date.

Article V, Section 5 (b) of the Baltimore City Charter grants the Department of Real Estate in the Comptroller's Office the power to arrange for the disposition of any building or parcel of land no longer needed by the City for public use, if that sale is approved by the Board of Estimates. Assuming the agency reports reveal that the property is no longer needed for public use, this is the appropriate ordinance to authorize disposition of the subject property. Therefore, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,


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