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	Subject	City Council Bill 14-0452		

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The Honorable President and Members of the City Council  
 c/o Natawna Austin  
 City Hall, Rm. 400

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill #14-0452, Sale of Property - 17, 19, and 23 South Gay Street FOR the purpose of authorizing the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to sell, at either public or private sale, all its interest in certain properties known as 17, 19, and 23 South Gay Street (Ward 04, Section 11, Block 1351, Lots 014, 015, and 016), consisting of approximately 0.3 acres, and no longer needed for public use; and providing for a special effective date.

The three subject properties are abutting lots in the Downtown neighborhood, midway between East Baltimore Street and Water Street. Each property is approximately 33 feet wide and 165 feet deep and is improved with a commercial building fronting Gay Street. The properties have been vacant for approximately 15 years. The Baltimore Development Corporation is facilitating the redevelopment of these properties and has partnered with the Department of Real Estate to prepare a Request for Proposals for the disposition and redevelopment of the properties.

DOT has reviewed the legislation and finds that in light of the above considerations, supports this bill and recommends that the Committee grant a favorable report on City Council Bill 14-0452.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,



William M. Johnson  
 Director