

STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE Mayor

PAUL T. GRAZIANO Executive Director, HABC Commissioner, HCD

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Paul Toraziano, Commissioner

Date: April 28, 2015

Re: City Council Bill 15-0472 - Urban Renewal - Franklin Square -

Amendment

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 15-0472, for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Franklin Square to amend certain Exhibits to reflect the change in the land use plan and the change in zoning, on approval by separate ordinance, for the property known as 31-35 North Fulton Avenue; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; making the provisions of this Ordinance severable; providing for the application of this Ordinance in conjunction with certain other ordinances; and providing for a special effective date.

If enacted, this bill, which is a companion bill to City Council Bill 15-0473 (Rezoning 31-35 North Fulton Avenue), would update the current Urban Renewal Plan for Franklin Square to reflect land use and zoning changes to support the conversion of a church to a community health clinic. Bon Secours Baltimore Health Corporation has plans to purchase a vacant church building and convert it into a facility that would provide basic health and dental services for the community.

The Department of Housing and Community Development has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill 15-0472.

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cc: Ms. Angela Gibson, Mayor's Office of Government Relations
Mr. Colin Tarbert, Deputy Mayor

NO Obj

