



# BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



STEPHANIE RAWLINGS-BLAKE  
Mayor

ANTHONY W. BATTS  
Police Commissioner

June 15, 2015

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council  
Room 400, City Hall  
100 N. Holliday Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

*Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary*

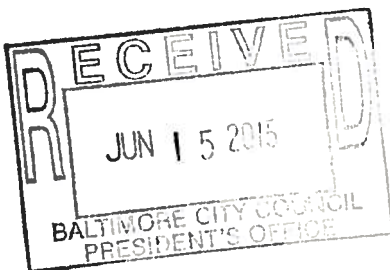
**Re: City Council Bill No. 15-0539  
Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation –  
Miscellaneous General Expenses - \$20,000,000**

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed Council Bill 15-0539 which has been introduced for the purpose of providing a Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation in the amount of \$20,000,000 for Miscellaneous General Fund Expenses – Service 122 (Miscellaneous General). This supplementary appropriation will provide funding for the response to the events of the recent civil unrest, which included heightened police presence, fire suppression, waste removal and clean up, sheltering, extended hours of operation at City facilities, and mutual aid from other government agencies.

The City experienced a period of civil unrest between April 25<sup>th</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup>. During this period, the BPD experienced increased costs, including overtime payments and equipment. This supplemental is needed to balance the Fiscal 2015 budget.

BPD takes a favorable position on Council Bill 15-0539 but defers to the position of the Department of Finance.



Sincerely,

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*For / Defers  
to Finance*