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	SUBJECT	City Council Bill 15-0547			

TO

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

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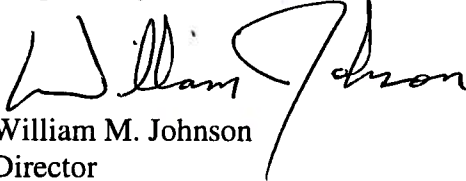
I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 15-0547, "Urban Renewal – Barclay - Amendment\_" for the purpose of amending the Urban Renewal Plan for Barclay to amend Exhibits 1 and 4 of the Plan to reflect the change in land use and the change in zoning, upon approval by separate ordinance for the properties known as 1920, 200-2020, and 2026 Greenmount Avenue; waiving certain content and procedural requirements; and 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.

DOT has no objections to this bill. DOT will be sure to work with any development entities in the future on traffic mitigation, as appropriate.

The subject sites include several properties along the west side of the 1900 and 2000 blocks of Greenmount Avenue. The properties lie between Heaver Street, East 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Worlsey Street and East 21<sup>st</sup> Street. In the spring of 2005, the Housing Authority of Baltimore City released a Request for Qualifications for the redevelopment of a portfolio of City-controlled properties in the Barclay/Old Goucher neighborhood, and in 2006, Tesis Corporation was selected to lead these revitalization efforts. The plan is to transform the neighborhood into a stable, mixed-income community with quality open spaces, community facilities, and employment opportunities. This rezoning effort is part of this major effort by Baltimore Housing.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,



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Director

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Cc: Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison