

October 29, 2015

The Honorable Jack Young and Members of the City Council Room 400, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore MD 21202

Dear Mr. President and Members of the City Council:

## **City Council Bill 15-0204R (Resolution)**

Official Response by the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts

The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA) offers opportunities to African American organizations and attractions to maintain their historical significance while encouraging collaborations with other cultural organizations, artists and communities through grant funding programs such as the Creative Baltimore Fund and the Transformative Art Prize. We engage and hire many musicians, artists and performers to appear at our festivals and events each year. In addition, BOPA can be a resource in assisting with promotion of institutions and programs of all cultures.

We look forward to participating in the hearing process.

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Thank you,

William B. Gilmore Executive Director

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