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BOARD OF MUNICIPAL AND ZONING APPEALS

DAVID C. TANNER, Executive Director 417 E. Fayette Street, Room 1432 Baltimore, Maryland 21202

June 23, 2016

The Honorable President and Members of the City Council City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, MD 21202

City Council Bill No. 15-0583 Rezoning – 1524 West Pratt Street Re:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

City Council Bill No. 15-0583 has been referred by your Honorable Body to the Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals for study and report.

The purpose of City Council Bill No. 15-0583 is to change the zoning district for the property known as 1524 West Pratt Street, as outlined in red on the accompanying plat, from the R-8 Zoning District to the B-1-1 Zoning District.

The BMZA has reviewed the zoning record for this property and found that the first floor was authorized as a non-conforming grocery store from at least 1967. In 2011 the Board heard Appeal #2011-209 to continue to use the first floor as a grocery store. The Board disapproved the appeal because the use of the grocery store had been discontinued for several years; the non-conforming status of the property was lost. The Board, therefore, has no objection to the passage of City Council Bill No. 15-583.

Sincerely,

David C. Tanner **Executive Director**

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CC: Mayors Office of Council Relations

Legislative Reference