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The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Attn: Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

> City Council Bill 16-0736 -Tax Credits - High-Performance Market-Rate Re:

Rental Housing

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 16-0736 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill would amend Sections 10-17 (targeted areas) and 10-18 (citywide) of Article 28 of the City Code concerning the City's High-Performance Market-Rate Rental Housing tax credit. The amendments change how the tax is calculated and to allow for partial year credits.

Both changes are consistent with the state law authorizing these credits. Md. Code, Tax Prop., §9-242. Therefore, the Law Department approves this bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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