




MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable President and Members of the City Council
Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

FROM: William H. Cole, President and CEO 

DATE: January 24, 2017

SUBJECT: City Council Bill No. 17-0002R
Coordinated Agency Violence Reduction Strategy

The Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC) supports City Council Bill 17-0002R. If passed, the Bill will convene the Baltimore Police Commissioner, the Baltimore Health Commissioner, the Director of Department of Public Works, the Director of Transportation, the Director of Recreation and Parks, the Director of the Mayor's Office of Employment Development, the Baltimore Housing Commissioner, the Director of CitiStat, and the President of the Baltimore Development Corporation in order to present to the City Council on a coordinated violence reduction strategy for Baltimore.

We understand that violence impacts the vitality and livability of Baltimore City's neighborhoods including small businesses that keep our economy going. We further understand the urgency and importance of a concerted and coordinated effort to find solutions to combat crime in our city.

The BDC respectfully requests that favorable consideration is given by the City Council to City Council Bill 17-0002R.

cc: Colin Tarbert
Angela Gibson

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