CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

101 City Hall Baltimore, Maryland 21202

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

Re: City Council Bill 16-0003 – City Property – Renaming the Oliver Community Center Playground to Calvin B. Scruggs, Sr. Playground

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0002 for form and legal sufficiency. Article 5, Subsection 20 of the City Code requires that property owned by the Mayor and City Council be renamed by ordinance. See City Code, Article 5, §20-1, et. seq. The municipal agency that "has or will have control over the property" must be referred the bill for comment, in addition to the Planning Commission and the Department of Real Estate. See City Code, Article 5, §20-2(b). Presumably the Department of Recreation and Parks is the agency that controls or will control this property and it has followed its policy regarding naming of park property. Provided that is the case, the Law Department approves the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

cc:

Sincerely yours,

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