The Baltimore City Department of HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Housing Commissioner

Date: January 18, 2018

Re: City Council Bill 17-0158 – Rezoning – 1770 and 1780 Union Avenue

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0158, for the purpose of changing the zoning for the properties known as 1770 Union Avenue (Block 3575C, Lot 068) and 1780 Union Avenue (Block 3575C, Lot 068C) from the I-2 Zoning District to the I-MU Zoning District.

If enacted, this bill would rezone existing industrial buildings that would support their possible reuse for a variety of business or industrial options instead of demolition. The properties are located in the Woodberry neighborhood between the Jones Falls and the railroad track and physically isolated from the rest of the neighborhood.

The Department of Housing and Community Development supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0158.

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cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office of Government Relations Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office of Government Relations