

## **BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



Gary Tuggle Interim Police Commissioner

October 16, 2018

Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council Room 400, City Hall 100 N. Holliday Street Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Attention: Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

Re: City Council Bill No. 17-0031R Baltimore Crime Gun Intelligence Center

Dear Council President Young and Members of the City Council:

The Baltimore Police Department (BPD) has reviewed Council Bill 7-0031R. This legislation is for the purpose of calling on the Baltimore Police Department to Partner with Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies to create a Baltimore Crime Gun Intelligence Center.

The BPD benefits from a Crime Gun Intelligence Center (CGIC) group within the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). This group works closely with the BPD and shares information such as NIBIN Leads and NIBIN hits. However, more collaboration between Federal, State and local government is always beneficial. Therefore, the BPD supports this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. The BPD looks forward to working with the City Council on this matter.

Sincerely,

Danielle Butcher

Office of the Police Commissioner