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DATE: Tuesday, May 2, 2019

TO: Honorable Madam President and Members of the City Council

FROM: Baltimore City Recreation & Parks

POSITION: Support

RE: City Council Bill 19-0347

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 19-0347.

Al Kaline, nicknamed "Mr. Tiger," is a former Major League Baseball right fielder, who played his entire 22-year baseball career with the Detroit Tigers. For most of his career, he played the outfield, where he won 10 Gold Gloves, was selected to play in 18 All-Star games, and reached the 3,000 hits milestone.

Al Kaline is one of Baltimore's favorite sons. He was born and raised in the Westport neighborhood in Baltimore, where he was an outstanding pitcher in youth baseball. He graduated from Southern High School, and earned all-state honors in baseball all four years. He was drafted by the Detroit Tigers after high school, and went on to have an outstanding career.

It is fitting to honor this native son of Baltimore, by naming the baseball diamond in Swann Park, the Al Kaline Field. Baltimore City Recreation & Parks is happy to support City Council Bill 19-0347.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jenny Morgan at jenny.morgan@baltimorecity.gov, or by phone at 410-844-2593.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Reginald Moore".

Reginald Moore

Executive Director

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