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

Re: City Council Bill 19-0424- Corrective Bill 2019 -General

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 19-0424 for form and legal sufficiency. The bill corrects various errors and omissions in the City Code as well as clarifies and conforms inconsistent, superfluous, vague, and other unclear language. The bill provides for a special effective date.

The Law Department notes that the correction on page 4, line 12 refers to the "denial or revocation of a license UNDER THIS SECTION." The term "SECTION" is incorrect in the context in which it is used and should be revised to read "SUBTITLE."

We also note that Amendment No.2 appearing on page 1 of the amendments offered by the Department of Legislative Reference uses the phrase "FILED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2020..." The comment accompanying the proposed amendment states that the change is required by State General Provision Article § 5-5606(a)(3). That section, however, prohibits disclosure of an individual's home address on or after January 20, 2019. For this reason, the Amendment No.2 should be revised to conform to State law.

With the adoption of these amendments, the Law Department is prepared to approve the bill for form and legal sufficiency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Victor K. Tervala".

Victor K. Tervala
Chief Solicitor

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