20-0188R

September 28, 2020

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

FROM: TAMIKA GAUVIN, Executive Director, Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice

RE: CITY COUNCIL BILL 20-0188R– Informational Hearing – Syringe Service Expansion

POSITION: NO POSITION

Chair Burnett, Vice-Chair Henry, and Members of the Committee, please be advised that the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice has **no positio**n on City Council Bill 20-0188R.

The purpose of CCB20-0188R is to invite representatives from agencies including MOCJ to provide information about overdose prevention sites and how they could be established in Baltimore City. The Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice does not work in this area at present. As this bill is about a health care and/or public health practice, MOCJ defers to the Health Department, the Baltimore Police Department, and the Fire Department on the provision of information related to overdose prevention sites.

cc: Sunny Schnitzer