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	Subject: Position:	20-0598 – Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Health Department - \$5,500,000 FAVORABLE		

To: President and Members of the City Council c/o 409 City Hall

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The Baltimore City Health Department (BCHD) is pleased to have the opportunity to review Council Bill #20-0598, entitled, "Supplementary General Fund Operating Appropriation - Health Department - \$5,500,000." The purpose of this bill is to provide a supplementary appropriation in the "amount of \$5,500,000 to the Health Department... for unanticipated additional expenditures resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic."

The supplemental appropriation will cover BCHD's Fiscal 2020 deficit created by unanticipated COVID-19-related costs including, but not limited to, quarantine shelters, testing supplies, and distribution of food for vulnerable residents. For this reason, BCHD requests a favorable report on Council Bill #20-0598.