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

Re: City Council Bill 21-0021R - Informational Hearing - Building a Homegrown

Public Safety Cadet Program

Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 21-0021R for form and legal sufficiency. The resolution is for the purpose of inviting the Police Commissioner of the Baltimore Police Department, the Fire Chief of the Baltimore City Fire Department, the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, the Sheriff of the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office, the Police Chief of the Baltimore City School Police, the Director of the Mayor's Office of Employment Development, the Director of the Department of Human Resources, and the head of the Baltimore City Public School System's Career and Technology Education program to appear before the Baltimore City Council to discuss: the Baltimore City Fire and Police Department's explorer programs; youth works programs; cadet programs; college internship programs; the successes and opportunities with local recruiting and hiring initiatives; and establishing the best method to create a pipeline of homegrown talent into Baltimore City public safety agencies.

A resolution is an appropriate way for the City Council of Baltimore to conduct an informational hearing. *See, e.g., Inlet Assocs. v. Assateague House Condominium,* 313 Md. 413, 428 (1988). Therefore, the Law Department approves this Resolution for form and legal sufficiency.

Very truly yours,

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