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        INTRODUCTORY*

        CITY OF BALTIMORE
        COUNCIL BILL   R
        (Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Scott

        A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning
Tracking Open 911 Calls

FOR the purpose of requesting that the Baltimore Police Department implement a system that shows active 911 calls on its website in order to provide a greater level of service and transparency to the citizens of Baltimore.

Recitals

   In an effort to be more transparent and provide a better service for their citizens, police departments across the country have begun to post active 911 calls to their websites. Citizens in cities like Dallas and Arlington Texas can visit the department's respective websites to see the current 911 activity.

   In recent years the Baltimore Police Department has increased its use of technology and communication with the citizenry tenfold. However, the Baltimore Police Department must continue to be on the cutting edge of using technology to provide the most efficient and transparent service to the citizens of Baltimore. Implementing an online active 911 calls program on its website, accompanied with a how 911 works section, would continue to show the Baltimore Police Department's commitment to transparency.

   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the City Council of Baltimore respectfully requests the Baltimore Police Department to implement an active 911 calls portion of its website in order to provide a greater level of service and transparency to the citizens of Baltimore.

   AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the Police Commissioner, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council.

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