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Bill Henry Baltimore City Comptroller 100 Holliday St. Unit 204 Baltimore, MD. 21202

Dear Mr. Henry,

I am writing to bring to your attention a matter of utmost concern regarding the sale of public land in the Cherry Hill community of Baltimore. As you may be aware, former Mayor Jack Young secretly arranged a land deal (SB-23-11213) to sell public land to outside developers with the intent of gentrifying the Black community of Cherry Hill. This action by the former mayor violates several Maryland legal statutes, including:

- 1. Maryland Open Meetings Act: The sale of public land was done secretly, behind closed doors, without public notice or input, and in violation of the Maryland Open Meetings Act. This statute requires that public meetings be open and accessible to the public.
- 2. Maryland Public Information Act: The sale of public land was kept secret and hidden from the public, which violates the Maryland Public Information Act. This statute requires that all government documents and information be accessible to the public upon request.
- 3. Maryland Fair Housing Act: The sale of public land to outside developers with the intent of gentrifying the Black community of Cherry Hill violates the Maryland Fair Housing Act. This statute prohibits discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, marital status, familial status, disability, or sexual orientation.
- 4. Maryland Constitution: The sale of public land may also violate the Maryland Constitution, which requires that the government act in the best interest of the public and not engage in actions that harm the public or the common good.

We urge you to investigate this matter thoroughly and take appropriate legal action to hold those responsible accountable for their actions. We demand that the rights of the Cherry Hill

community be protected and that public land not be sold to outside developers with the intent of gentrifying the community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

/s/ Edduard Prince.