May 17, 2007

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

President of the Senate State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 397 - *Ground Rents - Conversion of Irredeemable Ground Rents*.

This bill authorizes the conversion of an irredeemable ground rent to a redeemable ground rent unless a notice of intention to preserve irredeemability is recorded in the land records on or before December 31, 2010.

House Bill 452, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 397.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor