May 19, 2009

The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 402 – Education – Baltimore City Community College – Academic Facility Bonds.

This bill increases the bonding authority of Baltimore City Community College (BCCC) from \$15 million to \$65 million and authorizes BCCC to issue bonds for academic facilities in addition to auxiliary facilities. The bill also requires the Capital Debt Affordability Committee to estimate in an annual report the amount of new bonds for academic facilities that may be authorized in the aggregate for the next fiscal year by BCCC.

Senate Bill 176, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 402.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor