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 741 – *Baltimore City Land Bank Authority* – *Recodification*.

This bill recodifies chapter 468 of 2008, which authorized Baltimore City to create a land bank authority, by relocating the statute from Article 24 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, to Article II of the Baltimore City Charter.

Senate Bill 901, 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 741.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor