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10 A RESOLUTION CONCERNING
20 BLUE-LIGHT CAMERAS IN BALTIMORE CITY

30 **WHEREAS:** A “blue-light” camera refers to the type of surveillance camera,
40 widely used in many neighborhoods in Baltimore City, that is
50 accompanied by a blue-light strobe beacon; and,

60 **WHEREAS:** The effectiveness of these cameras has been proven to
70 be limited and not able to justify the resources wasted to maintain
80 their operation; and,

90 **WHEREAS:** These blue lights are a detriment to the community morale,
100 property value, and curb appeal of the neighborhoods.

110 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The Maryland Student Legislature urges
120 Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake and Police Commissioner Frederick H.
130 Bealefeld, III to promptly eliminate these blue-light cameras from
140 Baltimore City neighborhoods.

150 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** Going forward, no surveillance camera
160 installed in the city be equipped or accompanied by a beacon or any other
170 iconic attribute.

180 **MANDATES:**
190 Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, Mayor of Baltimore
200 Frederick H. Bealefeld, III, Police Commissioner

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