

# Dougherty's Pub

September 7, 2011

The Honorable Martin O'Malley  
Governor  
State of Maryland  
100 State Circle  
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Stephanie Rawlings-Blake  
Mayor  
City of Baltimore  
City Hall, Room 250  
100 North Holliday Street  
Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Governor O'Malley and Mayor Rawlings-Blake:

As the owners of Dougherty's Pub, we fully support the State Center project. Our business has been located at 223 West Chase Street (very close to the State Center site) since 1993. The building of State Center will be beneficial to us and other businesses in the area as well as the whole of Baltimore.

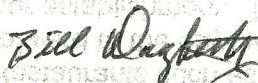
Restaurants such as ours are successful based on a highly localized clientele. We look forward to the days when hundreds of new residents live at State Center and frequent our establishment. The reconnection of the neighborhoods that surround the site, will also mean more customers for the businesses in the area.

State Center will be a catalyst for the area, both during construction and on an ongoing basis. The inclusionary nature of State Center's proposed housing means that people would be from all income brackets will be living and working together. We look forward to being a gathering place for all.

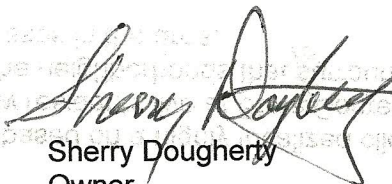
We frankly don't understand the concern of the restaurants in Little Italy and on Charles Street who have joined the lawsuit to stop this project. We don't see many customers from their surrounding neighborhoods, and we imagine that they don't see many from this area. It is necessary for all parts of Baltimore to continue to evolve and re-invent themselves to create a vibrant city for all residents.

This development will be great for the City of Baltimore, and we encourage you to do all that you can to make sure that the project gets underway as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



Bill Dougherty  
Owner



Sherry Dougherty  
Owner