COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 5-112

"District of Columbia Commission on Baseball Act of 1984".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 5-391 on first and second readings, June 26, 1984 and July 10, 1984, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on July 13, 1984, this legislation was assigned Act No. 5-162, published in the August 10, 1984 edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 31 page 3957) and transmitted to Congress July 19, 1984 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602 (c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 5-112, effective September 26, 1984.

DAVID A. CLARKE

Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

July

23,24,25,26,27,30,31

August

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September

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D.C. ACT 5 - 162

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To establish a Commission on Baseball to research and study the feasibility, viability, and process of establishing a professional baseball team in the District of Columbia, to advise the Council of the District of Columbia based on its findings; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "District of Columbia Commission on Baseball Act of 1984".

Codification New Chapter 29 of title 2

Sec. 2. <u>Definitions</u>.

For the purposes of this act, the term:

New D.C. Code, sec. 2-2901 Note, D.C. Code, sec. 47-2823 (1985 supp.)

- (1) "Commission" means the Commission on Baseball established by section 3.
- (2) "Council" means the Council of the District of Columbia.
 - (3) "District" means the District of Columbia.
- (4) "Mayor" means the Mayor of the District of Columbia.
- Sec. 3. There is established a Commission on Baseball to assist and advise the Council regarding the establishment of a professional baseball team in the District to enhance the District's tourism, job opportunities, entertainment, commercial interests, business development, and revenue base.

New, D.C. Code, sec. 2-2902 (1985 supp.) :

New, D.C. Code, sec. 2-2903 Note, D.C. Code, 1 - 612.8

- (b) All Commission members shall be appointed for a term to expire 3 years from the date of appointment to the Commission.
- (c) A majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. A quorum shall be necessary for the Commission to conduct its business.
- (d) Vacancies in the Commission shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments pursuant to subsection (a).
- (e) Each member of the Commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for all reasonable expenses pursuant to section 1108(b) of the District of Columbia Government Merit Personnel Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-139; D.C. Code, sec. 1-612.8(b)).
- (f) The Commission shall determine the place and time of its meetings, but shall meet at least 4 times annually. The Council may convene the Commission at any time.
- Sec. 5. The Commission may employ a consultant to advise and assist the Commission in performing the following (1985 supp.) functions:

New. D.C. Code. sec. 2-2904

(a) conducting a market analysis to study the demographics of the District and surrounding jurisdictions and to determine the process, feasibility, and viability of establishing a major league baseball team in the District;

- (b) analyzing all costs involved in supporting a major league team, including franchise purchase costs, stadium rental, and any other operating expenses and special inducements which may be necessary to attract a major league baseball franchise to the District;
- (c) identifying resources inside and outside of the District for investment in the new franchise, and encouraging capital formation;
- (d) identifying ways in which surrounding jurisdictions may assist in the District's efforts to acquire a franchise and developing and implementing a strategy for acquiring this assistance;
- (e) making all reasonable efforts to contact and negotiate with expert baseball resources, such as professional baseball teams and the American and National Baseball Leagues;
- (f) developing specific strategies that the District should take in obtaining a baseball franchise;
- (g) closely monitoring the implementation of strategies and taking action as needed, until a franchise is obtained; and
- (h) advising the Mayor and the Council on specific ways in which their leadership in obtaining the franchise may be most timely and useful.
- Sec. 6. The Commission shall prepare a quarterly report for the Mayor and the Council which states and evaluates the progress made in assessing the viability and likelihood of establishing a professional baseball team in

New, D.C. Code, sec. 2-2905 (1985 supp.): the District.

- Sec. 7. The Commission shall submit to the Council a final comprehensive report which summarizes the activities and findings of the Commission and contains specific recommendations regarding the establishment of a professional baseball team no later than 3 years from the effective date of this act.
- New, D.C. Code, sec. 2-2906 (1985 supp.)

Sec. 8. There may be appropriated out of revenues available to the District the sums necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

New, D.C. Code, sec. 2-2907 (1985 supp.)

Sec. 9. (a) This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-233(c)(1)).

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(b) This act shall expire 3 years after its effective date.

Note, D.C. Code, sec. 2-2901 to -2907 (1985 supp.)

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Council of the District of Columbia

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APPROVED: July 13, 1984



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