

ELECTED EXECUTIVE OFFICIAL OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION OR THE PERSON APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY. IN LOCAL JURISDICTIONS WHICH DO NOT HAVE A CHIEF PUBLICLY ELECTED EXECUTIVE OFFICIAL, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OR OTHER LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION SHALL TAKE THE ACTIONS REQUIRED OF THE CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

(F) "CITY" SHALL MEAN ANY INCORPORATED CITY, TOWN, MUNICIPALITY, OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHARTERED UNDER ARTICLE 23A, AND THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE. "THE CITY" SHALL MEAN THE PARTICULAR CITY FOR WHICH A PARTICULAR HOUSING AUTHORITY IS CREATED.

(G) "COUNTY" SHALL MEAN ANY OF THE 23 COUNTIES OF MARYLAND. "THE COUNTY" SHALL MEAN THE PARTICULAR COUNTY FOR WHICH A PARTICULAR HOUSING AUTHORITY IS CREATED.

(H) "CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS" SHALL MEAN THE CLERK OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OR THE OFFICER CHARGED WITH THE DUTIES CUSTOMARILY IMPOSED ON SUCH A CLERK, OR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL DESIGNATED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO SERVE AS THE CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE.

(I) "ECONOMICALLY DEPRESSED OR PHYSICALLY DETERIORATED AREA" SHALL MEAN ANY AREA WHERE DWELLINGS PREDOMINATE WHICH, BY REASON OF ~~DELAPIDATION~~ DILAPIDATION, OVERCROWDING, FAULTY ARRANGEMENT OR DESIGN, LACK OF VENTILATION, LIGHT, OR SANITARY FACILITIES, OR ANY COMBINATION OF THESE FACTORS ARE DETRIMENTAL TO SAFETY, HEALTH, AND MORALS.

(J) "EXTRAORDINARY MAJORITY" SHALL MEAN AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE BY TWO-THIRDS OR MORE OF THE AUTHORIZED NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OR THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, AS APPLICABLE.

(K) "FEDERAL GOVERNMENT" SHALL INCLUDE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA OR ANY AGENCY OR INSTRUMENTALITY, CORPORATE OR OTHERWISE, OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

(L) (1) "HOUSING PROJECT" SHALL MEAN ANY WORK OR UNDERTAKING:

(+) (1) TO DEMOLISH, CLEAR, OR REMOVE BUILDINGS FROM ANY ECONOMICALLY DEPRESSED OR PHYSICALLY DETERIORATED AREA; SUCH WORK OR UNDERTAKING MAY EMBRACE THE ADAPTATION OF SUCH AREA TO PUBLIC PURPOSES, INCLUDING PARKS OR OTHER RECREATIONAL OR COMMUNITY PURPOSES;