SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2003.

May 22, 2003

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 618 – Housing – Community Legacy Program – Neighborhood Intervention Projects.

This bill alters the purposes of a community legacy project to include the financing of a neighborhood intervention project for the rehabilitation or demolition of properties located in stable neighborhoods. Additionally, the bill limits the amount of federal assistance that may be awarded for a neighborhood intervention project, and imposes specified obligations on sponsors of neighborhood intervention projects.

House Bill 620, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 618.

Sincerely, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

Senate Bill No. 618

AN ACT concerning

Housing - Community Legacy Program - Neighborhood Intervention Projects

FOR the purpose of altering the purposes of a community legacy project to include the financing of a neighborhood intervention project for the rehabilitation or demolition of properties located in stable neighborhoods under certain circumstances; establishing a certain priority for the review and approval of applications for financial assistance under the Community Legacy Program under certain circumstances; limiting the amount of financial assistance that may be awarded for a neighborhood intervention project; requiring the Community Legacy Board to allocate annually no less than a certain percentage of the Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund to neighborhood intervention projects; creating a certain Neighborhood Intervention Fund within the Community Legacy Financial Assistance Fund; providing for allocations to and transfers from the Neighborhood Intervention Fund under certain circumstances; imposing certain obligations on a sponsor of a neighborhood intervention project under certain circumstances; defining certain terms;