



Advocacy Alert!

General Assembly Begins Tomorrow. Governor O'Malley announces plans for Sustainable Communities Tax Credit Program.

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The 427th Session of the Maryland General Assembly begins tomorrow, January 13, 2010. The [preservation agenda](#) is off to a good start. Last Friday, in Baltimore City, Governor O'Malley announced a proposed three-year \$50 million extension of the Heritage Tax Credit program as part of the Administration's new Sustainability initiative. Members of the Preservation Maryland Board and I were on hand along with several Senators, Delegates, and members of the Baltimore City Council in hearing Governor O'Malley's announcement. [Click here to read the press release on the bill from the Maryland Department of Planning.](#) Having an Administration Bill and a successful event is great start. Now the real work begins. We are still in for a tough session. The state will again be facing difficult decisions and a tight budget.

Take Action!

If you have not done so already, please contact Governor O'Malley to thank his for his support of Tax Credits for Maryland's historic buildings and neighborhoods and to register your support for the [other budget items that affect Maryland's preservation community.](#)

[Click here to access the form to e-mail the Governor](#)

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We'll let you know as soon as the legislation is introduced and will count on you to contact [your representatives](#) in the [General Assembly](#) to get their support.

Thank you,
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