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## **Council President Young and the Jewish Uniformed Service Association host annual lighting of City Hall Menorah**

**BALTIMORE, MD** – City Council President Bernard C. “Jack” Young will be joined by Mayor Catherine Pugh, members of the City Council and the Jewish Uniformed Service Association to host an annual lighting ceremony of the City Hall Menorah event for Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the Baltimore City Hall South Gallery. This celebration of Chanukah will include traditional foods such as jelly donuts and chocolate coins as well as menorahs and dreidels for guests young and old. Ring in Chanukah with friends and family at this wonderful, free event.

“I’m thrilled to partner once again with the Jewish Uniformed Service Association to celebrate this wonderful time of the year in the Jewish community,” Council President Young said. “Even if you aren’t of the Jewish faith, this event is an educational experience for children of all ages to come together and learn about each other.”

“The lights of Chanukah celebrate the religious freedom of the Jewish people defeating their adversaries,” said, Rabbi Chesky Tennenbaum, director of the Jewish Uniformed Service Association of Maryland/Chabad. “How appropriate it is to have the menorah illuminating the halls of the place where the laws of the city of Baltimore are enacted.”

The City Hall Menorah Lighting will kick off Baltimore’s Chanukah festivities for the week. It will be followed by the Baltimore Chanukah Festival at the Inner Harbor on McKeldin Square on **Sunday, December 25** from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with the Grand Menorah Lighting at 4:30 p.m. and the Chanukah Car Parade on **Monday, December 26** at 6:00 p.m. on 5713 Park Heights Avenue. For further information visit <http://baltimorechanukahfestival.com/>.

**WHO:** Council President Young, the Jewish Uniformed Service Association, Baltimore City residents.

**WHAT:** Annual lighting of the City Hall Menorah

**WHEN:** Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Baltimore City Hall, first floor, South Gallery. Please bring photo I.D. for entrance into City Hall.

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