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A RESOLUTION BY  
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 FELICIA A. MOORE  
 A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING  
 INTENT BY THE ATLANTA CITY  
 COUNCIL TO WORK TO  
 INFLUENCE THE CONGRESS  
 OF THE UNITED STATES AND  
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 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
 BLOCK GRANTS (CDBG) AT  
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**A RESOLUTION**

**BY COUNCILMEMBERS FELICIA A. MOORE, ALEX WAN, JOYCE M. SHEPERD, MICHAEL JULIAN BOND, KEISHA LANCE BOTTOMS, H. LAMAR WILLIS, CARLA SMITH AND KWANZA HALL**

**AS SUBSTITUTED BY FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING INTENT BY THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL TO WORK TO INFLUENCE THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO CONTINUE THE FUNDING OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS (CDBG) AT CURRENT OR INCREASED LEVELS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) have been an essential component in fostering economic development and recovery; and

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA GEORGIA**, that members of the City Council will contact members of the Georgia Congressional Delegation and ask for their support of the "Brady CDBG" letter in the House of Representatives and the Leahy CDBG letter" in the Senate to preserve funding levels for Community Development Block Grants.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED**, that the Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to provide a true copy of this resolution to the National League of Cities and all members of the Georgia Congressional Delegation.

**FINALLY BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded.

A true copy,

*Rhonda Dauphin Johnson*  
Municipal Clerk

ADOPTED by the Atlanta City Council  
APPROVED as per City Charter Section 2-403

APR 16, 2012  
APR 25, 2012



Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

March 20, 2012

The Honorable Tom Latham  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Transportation,  
Housing and Urban Development,  
and Related Agencies  
2358-A Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Olver  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Transportation  
Housing and Urban Development,  
and Related Agencies  
1016 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Latham and Ranking Member Olver:

Thank you for preserving strong funding in the House FY2012 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations last year for the Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG). As the subcommittee develops its FY 2013 appropriations bill, we respectfully urge you to again preserve funding for this program, one of the most effective federal programs for growing the local economy and providing a lifeline for families and communities.

Please maintain the House FY2012 level of \$3.466 billion in formula funding for CDBG. CDBG is the centerpiece of the federal government's efforts to help more than 1,200 cities, counties and states meet the needs of their low- and moderate-income people and communities. It revitalizes communities - with proven results. CDBG helps fund a wide range of activities including housing investments, public infrastructure improvements, public services and local economic development projects where the private market is absent.

To ensure these funds are used effectively and efficiently, we urge the Committee to maintain the allowance of grant funds for planning, management development, and administration. We share your commitment to the most solid use of taxpayer dollars, and find the budgetary maintenance of management grants critical to effective oversight and use of federal funds.

Conversely, reducing CDBG funding will severely slow down or eliminate thousands of local and state initiatives that are directly contributing to local and regional recovery. Based on the data that grantees have reported to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development over the past seven years, CDBG has:



- Helped 962,489 low- and moderate-income households through single-family, owner-occupied rehabilitations, homeownership assistance, energy efficient improvements and lead-based paint abatement;
- Created or retained 280,828 jobs for low- and moderate-income people through a variety of economic development activities;
- Benefitted 27,092,035 low- and moderate-income households through public improvements such as the development of senior centers, child care centers and centers for people with disabilities; and
- Benefitted 83,962,631 low- and moderate-income households through public services such as employment and training services, meals and other assistance to the elderly and services for abused and neglected children.

Additionally, every \$1.00 of CDBG leverages an additional \$3.00 in non-CDBG funding.

This is an impressive record. CDBG makes its way into the local economy through an extensive network of local organizations. In this current economic climate, CDBG is a lifeline for families and communities. For example, HUD reports that between FY2007 and FY2011, CDBG helped over 174,000 businesses expand economic opportunities for our country's most vulnerable citizens, and over the last decade, CDBG programs have rehabilitated more than 1.4 million homes for low- and moderate-income homeowners and renters. The pressing need in the current economy for these funds remains critical.

We appreciate your consideration of this important request and strongly urge you to maintain the THUD FY2012 level of support and investment in this proven program.

Sincerely,

  
Robert A. Brady  
Member of Congress

  
Lou Barletta  
Member of Congress



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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

March XX, 2012

The Honorable Patty Murray, Chairman  
The Honorable Susan Collins, Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies  
Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Murray and Ranking Member Collins:

As you near consideration of the Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, we urge the Subcommittee to maintain the Federal government's commitment to community development programs at the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and support \$3.3 billion in formula funds for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) program.

We thank you for your past support of this vital program. The CDBG program is the centerpiece of the Federal government's efforts to help approximately 1,200 entitlement cities, urban counties, and States meet the needs of low- and moderate-income communities. It is one of the most effective Federal domestic programs to revitalize communities with proven results. The program helps fund a wide range of activities, including homeownership assistance, housing rehabilitation, public improvements, public services, and economic development projects.

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We understand the challenges facing the Subcommittee in meeting funding needs under the restrictions created by the Budget Control Act. However, we remain concerned about the impact past cuts have had on the program and the continued impact any additional cuts will have on the communities that rely on this funding to serve their most vulnerable residents. The CDBG formula allocation has been cut by over \$1 billion dollars since 1995 and is now at its lowest funding level since 1992. Because of the cuts to the formula allocation, programs and projects funded by CDBG and the number of residents served by these activities have been cut too. In light of these drastic cuts, communities have struggled to continue their programs and have discontinued critical projects for low- and moderate-income persons.

*Exhibit 2*



Communities will continue to experience setbacks with a decline in funding for the CDBG formula allocation. Therefore, we urge you to provide \$3.3 billion in the FY13 THUD Appropriations bill to allow the CDBG program to continue vital rehabilitation and improvement projects. Thank you for your consideration of this request and your support of community development and revitalization.

Sincerely,

*Exhibit 1*

*Al J*

*James M. Sheppard*

*Felicia A. Moore*

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*Manuel R. ...*  
*H. ...*  
*Carl Smith*

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CONSENT I

CONSENT AGENDA SECTION I  
MONDAY, APRIL 16, 2012; EXCEPT 12-R-0451  
ADOPT

YEAS: 12  
NAYS: 0  
ABSTENTIONS: 0  
NOT VOTING: 3  
EXCUSED: 0  
ABSENT 1

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