

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the following is a true and attested copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Norwich at a meeting held on February 22, 2011, and that the same has not been amended or rescinded:

WHEREAS: The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding could be facing a reduction between 7% and 25% or up-to \$1 billion dollars at the federal level; and

WHEREAS: any reduction in CDBG funding would severely slow down or eliminate thousands of local and state projects and programs that are directly contributing to the local and regional recovery; and

WHEREAS: without level funding of CDBG funds, the City of Norwich would be unable to sufficiently support Norwich's community and neighborhood revitalization projects and public service programs; and

WHEREAS: the loss of CDBG funds will also mean stagnation in employment opportunities, leading to a ripple effect on tax revenues, foreclosures, and create associated social problems; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds work to stabilize the community by providing decent affordable housing, creating a safe as well as suitable living environment within all neighborhoods, and fostering economic opportunities for low-to-moderate income residents; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds are crucial in enabling the City of Norwich to deliver essential services that help to improve the quality of life for countless residents by reducing the housing cost burden, assisting seniors and the disabled, and aiding low-to-moderate income families attain suitable housing.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Norwich Council strongly urges the Obama Administration in the FY2012 budget to freeze CDBG formula funding at the FY2010 level of \$3.9 billion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Manager write a letter expressing the concerns enumerated above in this Resolution and send that letter to President Barack Obama; Jack Lew, Director of the Office of Management and Budget; Valerie Jarrett, White House Director of Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Engagement; Governor Dannel Malloy, Senator Joseph Lieberman, Senator Richard Blumenthal and Representative Joseph Courtney.

Dated at Norwich, Connecticut this 23rd day of February 2011.

ATTEST: 
Sandra Greenhalgh
City Clerk

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the following is a true and attested copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Norwich at a meeting held on February 22, 2011, and that the same has not been amended or rescinded:

WHEREAS, the Reid and Hughes located on 193-201 Main Street is presently owned by our City of Norwich; and

WHEREAS, the Reid and Hughes building has been vacant for many years; and

WHEREAS, the Reid and Hughes building has structural problems and after further analysis these problems will be better identified and isolated and a workable formula for action with respect to the property can be established; and

WHEREAS, Jim Quarto, Richard Caron Andrew Zeeman, James Troeger, Gary Schnip, Sofee Noblick, Tucker Braddock, Attorney Samuel Browning, and Leland Loose have volunteered to serve as a committee for this purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORWICH, that the above named individuals be and hereby are appointed as the Reid and Hughes Committee and analyze, and make recommendations as to the repair, restoration, modification and marketing of the Reid and Hughes building and to report their recommendations to the Council on or before the first Council meeting of September 2011.

Dated at Norwich, Connecticut this 23rd day of February 2011.

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Sandra Greenhalgh
City Clerk