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WHEREAS: In recent discussions about the federal budget for 2012, it has been stated by the Obama administration that all federal programs are on the table for possible cuts; and

WHEREAS: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding could be facing a funding reduction of up to 25% or \$1 billion dollars in the President's Budget; and

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

WHEREAS: without CDBG funds, the City of New Haven would not be able to assist New Haven's community development corporations and similar organizations to encourage economic development, business creation and expansion, housing projects, community and neighborhood revitalization and community services programs; and

WHEREAS: the loss of CDBG funds will also mean significant job losses for several local employees, which will lead to a severe decrease in basic city services, as well as have a negative ripple effect on local employment, tax revenues, foreclosures, and associated social problems; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds enable the City of New Haven to deliver essential services that help to improve the quality of life for countless residents by helping the homeless get off the street, aiding low-income families with suitable housing, and assisting seniors and the disabled who are most in need of assistance; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds enable the City to assist non profit organizations providing social service programs including AIDS prevent services, at-risk youth services, elderly services, family services and local homeless shelter and homeless prevention services; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds provide community development corporations in New Haven with funding for new market-rate and affordable housing construction and acquisition for redevelopment of single family vacant substandard housing; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds are critical in helping deal with the foreclosure crisis impacting our community, from blight elimination to foreclosure counseling, and in helping manage the negative impact this crisis has on our neighborhoods.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the New Haven Board of Aldermen that this Board strongly urges the Obama Administration in the FY 2012 budget to freeze CDBG formula funding at the FY 2010 level of \$3.9 billion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City/Town Clerk is hereby directed to forward copies of this Resolution 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; Senators Sherrod Brown and Rob Portman; Representatives Marcia Fudge and Dennis Kucinich; the executive directors of the National Leagues of Cities; the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and the National Association of Counties.