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A RESOLUTION

16-509

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

February 7, 2006

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to clarifying the requirements that the Department of Small and Local Business Development must adhere to when reporting to the Council on agency and government corporation compliance with local, small and disadvantaged business enterprise procurement goals; and to clarify that procurement of materials, goods and supplies may be included to satisfy local, small and disadvantaged business enterprise construction subcontracting requirements.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Department of Small and Local Business Development Clarification Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to ensure that key provisions in the underlying legislation creating the Department of Small and Local Business Development ("Department") are firmly settled in order to ensure that the proposed rulemaking for the Department, which is currently underway, proceeds without delay.

(b) The Department of Small and Local Business Development Clarification Emergency Act of 2005, (D.C. Act 16-191), was enacted last October and expired on January 26, 2006.

(c) The Department of Small and Local Business Development Clarification Temporary Act of 2005, (D.C. Act 16-208), is currently pending Congressional review. This temporary act was originally projected to become law coinciding with the expiration of the emergency act, it is now projected to become law on February 12, 2006.

(d) Due to the expiration of the original emergency act and the projected enactment date of February 12, 2006, for the temporary act, it is important that this congressional review legislation be enacted to fill the legislative gap.

(e) Conversations with the Attorney General confirm that making these changes part of the underlying law now will allow his office to conduct a more thorough and timely review of the proposed rules.

(f) Clearer language is needed that demonstrates the original intent of the construction subcontracting provision to allow that employing SLDBEs in both traditional construction related trades services, such as carpentry or cement work, or those that supply materials, goods

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and supplies may be counted towards the prime contractor's 35% SLDBE requirement.

(g) New language is needed that provides more direction to the Department about what information must be reported to the Council in order for effective oversight of agency compliance with SLDBE procurement goals to occur. Specifically, the language further requires the Department to forward to the Council the quarterly reports that each agency and government corporation must submit demonstrating its compliance with SLDBE procurement goals. In addition, the Department must report actual dollars expended with SLDBEs as well as contract award amounts that have traditionally been reported.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Department of Small and Local Business Development Clarification Congressional Review Emergency Act of 2006 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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16-526

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

February 7, 2006

To declare the existence of an emergency to amend Chapter 10 of Title 16 of the District of Columbia Official Code to continue a fund and grant program for nonprofit providers of emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Victims of Domestic Violence Fund Establishment Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2006".

Sec. 2. (a) There exists an immediate need to continue a fund and grant program so additional resources can be directed towards helping the victims of domestic violence.

(b) The Victims of Domestic Violence Fund Establishment Temporary Act of 2005 (D.C. Act 16-71) will expire on March 4, 2006.

(c) The Committee on Human Services conducted a hearing on the permanent legislation (B16-175) and is currently in the process of reviewing suggestions that came out of that forum.

(d) During last year's budget process, this fund was created on an emergency basis to receive money for this pressing need.

(e) Enactment of this second set of emergency and temporary legislation is necessary in order to preserve the fund and the money contained therein and to allow the permanent legislation to make its way to the full Council for consideration.

(f) The Metropolitan Police Department reports that half of their 911 calls are related to domestic violence and that 60% to 80% of all their calls are related to domestic violence. In 2004 alone, approximately 6,000 women walked into the Domestic Violence Intake Center at the D.C. Superior Court seeking emergency shelter, protective orders, food and other necessities.

(g) The District currently has only 48 domestic violence emergency shelter beds for victims and their children.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Victims of Domestic Violence Fund Establishment Emergency Act of 2006 be adopted after a single reading.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.