

1 RESOLUTION NO. 7595
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4 A RESOLUTION introduced by Councilmember Lisa Stubbs in support of the Community
5 Services Block Grant (CSBG) and the Community Action, Inc. agency
6 which administers this program for low-income communities in the City
7 of Topeka.
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9 WHEREAS, CSBG provides core funding for a network of one thousand one
10 hundred (1,100) local organizations, including Community Action, Inc., to fight poverty and
11 promote self-sufficiency for low-income individuals, families and communities in ninety-six
12 percent (96%) of the nation's counties; and

13 WHEREAS, CSBG supports programs for the neediest in our communities, targeted
14 to individuals and families with incomes at or below the poverty line including the working
15 poor; and

16 WHEREAS, the flexibility of CSBG allows Community Action to provide a broad
17 range of programs and services, such as affordable housing, health care, job development
18 and placement, education, elderly services, energy assistance and homeless prevention,
19 which are integrated into a comprehensive, systematic approach to fighting poverty and
20 promoting self-sufficiency; and

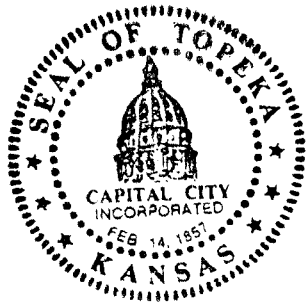
21 WHEREAS, CSBG provides resources to Community Action to serve as catalysts for
22 engaging local partners, including government representatives, area citizens, local
23 business, neighborhood civic groups, and the faith community, in strengthening the low-
24 income communities in which they reside; and

25 WHEREAS, every one dollar (\$1.00) in CSBG funding was used by Community
26 Action to leverage an additional eleven dollars (\$11.00) in other federal, state, local and
27 private resources for our community in 2004.

28 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Topeka, Kansas,
29 requests that the United States Congress preserve the Community Services Block Grant as
30 an independent program administered by the United States Department of Health and
31 Human Services, and to provide an appropriation for fiscal year 2006 that meets if not
32 exceeds the fiscal year 2005 level of six hundred thirty-six million six hundred thousand
33 dollars (\$636,600,000.00).

34 PASSED and APPROVED by City Council MAR 15 2005

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ATTEST:

Iris E. Walker

Iris E. Walker, City Clerk

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

James A. McClinton
James A. McClinton, Mayor

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DATE 3/14/05 BY BBC