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# H. RES. 666

Supporting the goals and ideals of the Community Development Block Grant program.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 11, 2014

Mr. FATTAH (for himself, Mr. TURNER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, and Mr. GIBSON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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## RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of the Community Development Block Grant program.

Whereas the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is a Federal program administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development and provides direct grants to States and local governments for the purposes of economic and community development;

Whereas the CDBG program was established under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974;

Whereas this grant program was signed into law by President Gerald R. Ford on August 22, 1974, and is among the longest running grant programs in our Nation's history;

Whereas this grant program assists more than 1,200 State and local governments each year;

Whereas this grant program allows grantees flexibility in tackling unique and complex challenges facing their communities;

Whereas the CDBG program has invested over \$145 billion in urban, suburban, and rural economies since its inception;

Whereas CDBG funding is used to leverage other funds from the private sector, non-profit organizations, and State and local governments;

Whereas every CDBG dollar invested in communities leverages, on average, \$4.07 in other funds;

Whereas between fiscal years 2005 and 2013 this program has created or retained approximately 330,500 jobs;

Whereas the CDBG program has funded public improvements benefitting States and local communities;

Whereas between fiscal years 2005 and 2013, the CDBG program provided public services to over 100 million people and assisted more than 1 million households;

Whereas the CDBG program has been used to assist communities in the aftermath of natural disasters and in the midst of economic crises; and

Whereas the CDBG program provides the largest amount of Federal assistance to State and local governments for development efforts: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) supports the goals and ideals of the Com-  
3       munity Development Block Grant program, now in  
4       its 40th year of continuous service;

1           (2) recognizes the benefits the CDBG program  
2           has provided to urban, suburban, and rural commu-  
3           nities; and

4           (3) acknowledges the importance of this Fed-  
5           eral grant program to States and local communities  
6           throughout the United States.

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