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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency, due to congressional review, with respect to the need to amend the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Act of 2015 to clarify provisions supporting the Fiscal Year 2016 budget.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Clarification Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2016”.

Sec. 2. (a) D.C. Law 21-36, the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Act of 2015, was adopted by the Council on June 30, 2015, and became effective on October 22, 2015. An emergency version of the legislation, D.C. Act 21-148, was simultaneously adopted at the June 30, 2015 Legislative Meeting.

(b) Following the Council’s adoption of D.C. Law 21-36 and D.C. Act 21-148 it was discovered that several provisions within these measures are in need of technical corrections or further clarification.

(c) As such, the Council adopted D.C. Act 21-164, the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of 2015, which made several clarifications to D.C. Law 21-36. This measure became effective on October 1, 2015, and will expire on January 14,

37 2016.

38 (d) The Council subsequently enacted a second emergency measure, D.C. Act 21-202,
39 the Fiscal Year 2016 Second Budget Support Clarification Emergency Amendment Act of
40 2015, to make other necessary clarifications to the law. D.C. Act 21-202 became effective on
41 November 23, 2015, and will expire on February 21, 2016.

42 (e) A corresponding temporary bill, D.C. Act 21-252, combining the provisions of the
43 two earlier emergencies (D.C. Act 21-164 and D.C. Act 21-202), was adopted by the Council on
44 December 1, 2015, returned by the Mayor on December 29, 2015, and transmitted to Congress
45 on January 8, 2016. The projected law date for D.C. Act 21-252 is March 15, 2016.

46 (f) The provisions contained in the first emergency act, D.C. Act 21-164, were set to
47 expire on January 14, 2015, but were continued by a third emergency measure: Bill 21-567. In
48 addition to the provisions originally contained in the first emergency act, Bill 21-567 contained
49 a technical clarification to Title 47 of the D.C. Code. This addition prevented this emergency
50 from what would otherwise have been a congressional review emergency.

51 (g) The provisions contained in the second emergency act, D.C. Act 21-202, are set to
52 expire on February 21, 2016. As the corresponding emergency bill, D.C. Act 21-252, is not
53 projected to become law until March 15, 2016, this congressional review emergency is
54 necessary to prevent a gap in the law.

55 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the
56 circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it
57 necessary that the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Support Clarification Congressional Review
58 Emergency Amendment Act of 2016 be adopted after a single reading.

59 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.