

RESOLUTION #617

WHEREAS, The President has proposed the elimination of the Community Development Block Grant, program in his fiscal year 2006 budget, which funds a myriad of social service, economic development, and housing programs in this borough, and

WHEREAS, in this borough and many boroughs across the Commonwealth, thirty years of Community Development Block Grant funding has developed a strong network of relationships between this borough, residents and many non-profit agencies that provide services and help make possible our commitment to our neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, this borough in partnership with our statewide advocate, the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs, recognizes that the Community Development Block Grant program is an important linkage of federal, state, local government, business, non-profit and community efforts, and that the services funded by the CDBG program, administered by this borough, relies heavily on the dedication of and good will our combined efforts.

WHEREAS, this borough community recognizes all the participants whose hard work and devotion to the neighborhood and their low and moderate income residents help insure the quality and effectiveness of the Community Development Block Grant program, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOVLED, that the Kulpmont Borough Council opposes the proposed elimination of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this community, along with the service providers and others whose names are appended to this **Resolution**, hereby petition the U.S. Congress and Administration to recognize the outstanding work being done locally and nationally by the Community Development Block Grant program, and of its vital importance to the community and to the people who live in its lower income neighborhoods, to strongly oppose any proposal to eliminate the Community Development Block Grant Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution, be conveyed to the appropriate elected and appointed officials of the Federal Government and that this borough's name be added to the roll of those committed to the preservation and full funding of the Community Development Block Grant program and maintenance of its essential features over the course of this, and the next session of Congress.

DULY PRESENTED AND ADOPTED by the Borough Council of Kulpmont at a regular public meeting held this 12th day of April 2005.

Council of the Borough of Kulpmont.

ATTESTED:

FRANK CHESNEY
BOROUGH SECRETARY

NICHOLAS P. GORETSKI, III
PRESIDENT