



City of Carson

Report to Mayor and City Council

September 20, 2011
New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11-116 SUPPORTING THE 112TH CONGRESS H. RES. 348 ADDRESSING THE GROWING JOB CRISIS IN AMERICA

Submitted by Clifford W. Graves
Interim City Manager

Approved by Clifford W. Graves
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I. SUMMARY

On September 6, 2011, the City Council added this matter to tonight's agenda for consideration at the request of Councilmember Gipson.

H. Res. 348: Congressional Black Caucus "For the People" Jobs Initiative Resolution expresses the opinion of the House of Representatives that critical employment legislation should be considered and passed to address the growing employment crisis throughout America (Exhibit No. 1).

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. WAIVE further reading and ADOPT Resolution No. 11-116, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE 112TH CONGRESS H. RES. 348 ADDRESSING THE GROWING JOB CRISIS IN AMERICA."
2. DIRECT staff to transmit an executed copy of the resolution to Congressmembers Emanuel Cleaver, Laura Richardson, Maxine Waters, Karen Bass, and Stephanie Young, Communications Director with the Congressional Black Caucus.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE another action the City Council deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

Resolution No. 11-116 supports H. Res. 348 declaring that critical employment legislation should be considered and passed to address the growing jobs crisis throughout America (Exhibit No. 2). H. Res. 348 is also known as the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) "For the People" Jobs Initiative Resolution. Congress is well into the 112th Congress and there has been no employment legislation considered on the House floor despite the introduction of over 40 bills by members of the CBC. The unemployment numbers throughout the country

mandate legislative, tangible action to address the crisis. Moreover, the reported unemployment numbers in the African-American community are hovering over sixteen percent and in the double digits in other communities of color in these United States.

The CBC recently launched the "For the People" Jobs Initiative to directly address the lack of jobs for people of color. This was done by holding job fairs and town hall meetings throughout the country in areas hardest hit by the recession in an effort to address the unemployment crisis and the need for job creation solutions in underserved communities. There were two job fairs held in Los Angeles during the last week of August. The CBC has called upon the private and public sectors to immediately remedy the crisis by going into communities with legitimate, immediate employment opportunities for the underserved. By supporting Resolution No. 11-116 the Council will be confirming their support for this very important initiative.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None

VI. EXHIBITS

1. H. Res 348. (pgs. 3-5)
2. Resolution 11-116. (pgs. 6-7)

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Reviewed by:

City Clerk	<u>City Treasurer</u>
<u>Administrative Services</u>	<u>Development Services</u>
<u>Economic Development Services</u>	<u>Public Services</u>

Action taken by City Council

Date_____ Action_____

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. 348

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that critical jobs legislation should be considered and passed to address the growing jobs crisis throughout America, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 13, 2011

Mr. CLEAVER (for himself, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. CLARKE of Michigan, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Ms. WATERS, Ms. BASS of California, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. EDWARDS, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. MOORE, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. RUSH, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WATT, Mr. WEST, Mr. CLYBURN, and Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that critical jobs legislation should be considered and passed to address the growing jobs crisis throughout America, and for other purposes.

Whereas this resolution may be cited as the “Congressional Black Caucus ‘For the People’ Jobs Initiative Resolution”;

Whereas over six months into the 112th Congress and no jobs creation legislation has been considered on the House floor despite the introduction of over 40 bills by members of the Congressional Black Caucus (“CBC”);

Whereas the unemployment numbers throughout the country mandate legislative, tangible action to address the crisis;

Whereas the reported unemployment numbers in the African-American community are hovering over sixteen percent and in the double digits in other communities of color in these United States;

Whereas for 40 years the CBC has introduced legislation for the people and has served as the unwavering “Conscience of the Congress”;

Whereas the CBC recently launched the “For the People” Jobs Initiative to directly address the lack of jobs for people of color by holding job fairs and town hall meetings throughout the country in areas hardest hit by the recession; and

Whereas, to address the unemployment crisis and the need for job creation solutions in underserved communities, the CBC has called upon the private and public sectors to immediately remedy the crisis by going into communities with legitimate, immediate employment opportunities for the underserved: Now, therefore be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that Congress should—

3 (1) consider and pass critical jobs legislation to
4 address the crisis facing communities of color dis-
5 proportionately; and

- 1 (2) consider and pass critical jobs legislation to
- 2 address the nationwide economic crisis.

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RESOLUTION NO. 11-116

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON,
CALIFORNIA, SUPPORTING THE 112TH CONGRESS H. RES. 348
ADDRESSING THE GROWING JOB CRISIS IN AMERICA

WHEREAS, America has always thought of itself as a land of opportunity; and

WHEREAS, Policy makers can use this situation as an opportunity is to make long-term investments in America in the areas that so badly need attention; infrastructure, technology and education;

WHEREAS, this resolution supports H. Res. 348 the Congressional Black Caucus "For the People" Jobs Initiative Resolution; and

WHEREAS, over six months into the 112th Congress and no employment legislation has been considered on the House floor despite the introduction of over 40 bills by members of the Congressional Black Caucus; and

WHEREAS, the unemployment numbers throughout the country mandate legislative, tangible action to address the crisis; and

WHEREAS, the reported unemployment numbers in the African-American community are hovering over sixteen percent and in the double digits in other communities of color in these United States; and

WHEREAS, for 40 years the Congressional Black Caucus has introduced legislation for the people and has served as the unwavering "Conscience of the Congress"; and

WHEREAS, the Congressional Black Caucus recently launched the "For the People" Jobs Initiative to directly address the lack of jobs for people of color by holding job fairs and town hall meetings throughout the country in areas hardest hit by the recession; and

WHEREAS, to address the unemployment crisis and the need for job creation solutions in underserved communities, the Congressional Black Caucus has called upon the private and public sectors to immediately remedy the crisis by going into communities with legitimate, immediate employment opportunities for the underserved; and

WHEREAS, H. Res. 348 supports the steps we need to take to restore our economy and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Congress needs to put our great country ahead of politics.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved, that the City of Carson supports H. Res. 348 in its entirety and strongly urges the 112th Congress to determine a better path for the unemployed individuals of our great country.

EXHIBIT NO. 02

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PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of September, 2011.

ATTEST:

Mayor Jim Dear

City Clerk Helen S. Kawagoe

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

