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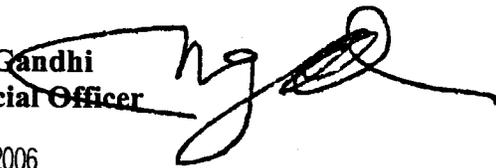
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CHAIRMAN CROPP

Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer 

DATE: NOV -9 2006

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Expansion of Allowable Income for
Determination of State Child Health Insurance Program
Eligibility (SCHIP) Approval Resolution of 2006"

REFERENCE: PR 16-1052

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2007 through FY 2010 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed State Plan Amendment to increase the Medicaid income eligibility limit for the State Child Health Insurance Program. The approval resolution would implement Section 5092(1) of the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Support Act of 2006 whose fiscal effects are included in the FY 2007 baseline budget.

Background

The proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) would increase the allowable amount of income in determining eligibility for the State Child Health Insurance Program (SCHIP). The current SCHIP plan covers children whose family's income is less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL). The proposed SPA would increase the amount to 300 percent of the FPL for all uninsured children living in the District who are under the age of 19. The purpose of the expansion is to decrease the total number of uninsured children who live in the District.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds have been included in the FY 2007 budget and financial plan to implement this initiative. The federal and local funding share for this SPA is 79 percent federal and 21 percent local as indicated in the table below.

Estimated Fiscal Impact of the Proposed SPA					
	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	4-Year Total
Local Share	\$48,600	\$50,000	\$51,500	\$53,000	\$203,100
Federal Share	\$182,700	\$188,100	\$194,000	\$200,000	\$764,800
Total	\$231,300	\$238,100	\$245,500	\$253,000	\$967,900