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Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer



MEMORANDUM

(Corrected Copy)

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: April 3, 2001

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Department of Employment

Services Relocation Funds Approval Resolution of 2001"

REFERENCE: Public Resolution Number 14-134 as Introduced

Conclusion

The proposed relocation of the Department of Employment Services (DOES) employees to 77 P Street, NE will not impact the District's budget and financial plan since the funding for the relocation is derived from the proceeds of the sale of the former DOES building located at 500 C Street, NW and is available in the agency's budget. The relocation funds were allocated from the total sale amount received from the Newseum Corporation during the purchase of the former DOES building. Approximately \$10 million was allocated from the \$100 million sale proceeds explicitly for the relocation of DOES employees. The approximate \$1.3 million required for the initial move is available.

Background

The Freedom Forum, a not-for-profit entity, offered the District \$100 million for the sale of the DOES building located at 500 C street. The \$100 million was twice the appraisal value of the building and the sale supports several of the District's revitalization initiatives.

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The DOES employees are currently planned to be relocated to two new locations – 609/625 H street, NE and 77 P street, NE. The DOES employees will occupy approximately 100,000 square feet on H street, NE and only 42,000 square feet at 77 P street. The initial move will be to P Street.

Financial Plan Impact

The initial relocation of the DOES employees will result in approximately \$678,720 in construction costs and \$634,349 for furniture costs. These costs will be paid from the sale of property.