GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Chief Financial Officer



Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable Vincent C. Gray

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM:

Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Co

DATE:

FEB 4 2008

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Impact Statement: "Domestic Partnership Health Care Benefits

Expansion Amendment Rulemaking Approval Resolution of 2008"

REFERENCE:

Draft Legislation - No Bill Number Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed resolution. The proposed resolution is not anticipated to have a fiscal effect on the District's budget and financial plan.

Background

The proposed resolution would approve proposed amendments to the rules allowing persons first employed by the District of Columbia government on or after October 1, 1987 who are eligible for health benefits to enroll their domestic partner and the dependent children of the domestic partner for family health benefits under the same terms as other family coverage (namely, that the employee shall pay 25% of the cost, and the District government shall pay the remaining 75%).

District of Columbia Law 16-82, enacted January 26, 2006 and effective as of April 4, 2006, authorized the change in coverage for families of domestic partners; and Resolution 16-920, deemed approved on November 25, 2006, approved initial rules governing the change in coverage for families of domestic partners. The proposed resolution would approve amended rules, and has no impact on the level or cost of coverage for families of domestic partners.

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Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. It is estimated that the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact.