

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY DORCHESTER COUNTY AND THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO STATE OF MARYLAND THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR FUNDING UNDER THE MARYLAND NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION INITIATIVE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Maryland through the Department of Housing and Community Development has solicited applications from eligible applicants to apply for funding under the Maryland Neighborhood Conservation Initiative (NCI) Program; and

**WHEREAS**, a requirement of the applicant is the receipt of a support resolution from the legislative body where the application activities would take place; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** on this sixth day of January, 2009, that the Dorchester County Council is supportive of the application to be submitted by Dorchester County and the City of Cambridge Office of Housing and Community Development in the amount of \$550,000 for the following activities:

- To identify dwellings in the City of Cambridge, and in particular in Census Tracts 970500 and 970600, that have been sold in foreclosure that might be purchased at a reduced price, rehabilitated, and returned to the market as affordable workforce housing opportunities for Dorchester families earning between 50% and 120% of Area Mean Income as determined by HUD standards.
- To work with Dorchester families to qualify them as buyers under this program using the services of HUD certified housing and mortgage counselors.
- To coordinate the efforts of private sector investment partners to ensure these homes are made available as good quality and affordable homes in a timely manner for both potential homeowners and for renters.
- To provide a funding mechanism that ensures affordability for the developer, builder, and ultimate resident of each property redeveloped under this program.
- To create a process that is fair, open, and just that addresses the need for affordable housing in Cambridge.


**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Jay L. Newcomb, President, is authorized and empowered to execute any and all documents required for the submission of the application.


**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2009.**

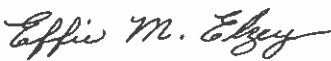
**ATTEST:**

**The County Council of Dorchester County**

  
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