

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 15-0245R
(Resolution)**

Introduced by: Councilmember Spector, President Young, Councilmembers Middleton, Curran,
Holton, Henry, Welch, Clarke, Reisinger, Stokes
Introduced and read first time: July 20, 2015
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

1 A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning

2 **Request for Federal Action – Thorough Review of the Proposed Nuclear Deal with Iran**

3 FOR the purpose of calling on the Honorable Members of the Maryland Delegation to the 114th
4 Congress to ensure that Congress thoroughly studies the proposed nuclear deal with Iran
5 during its 60 day review period to determine if it genuinely meets the requirements laid out
6 by both Congress and the Administration for a workable deal, and urging the administration
7 to work with our allies to maintain economic pressure on Iran that will truly close off all
8 Iranian paths to a nuclear weapon.

9 **Recitals**

10 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council wants to thank President Obama, and the
11 Administration, for their tireless efforts to reach a diplomatic agreement with Iran on their
12 nuclear program. We believe diplomacy is the most effective avenue for solving problems on the
13 international stage. We also believe it is critical that the United States Congress have the full 60
14 days to review the agreement as laid out in legislation passed this spring. We do have some
15 concerns about the announced deal however and they are as such:

- 16 • The proposed deal does not ensure “anytime, anywhere” short-notice inspections;
- 17 • The proposed deal does not clearly condition sanctions relief on full Iranian cooperation
18 in satisfying International Atomic Energy Agency concerns over the possible military
19 dimensions of Tehran’s program;
- 20 • The proposed deal lifts sanctions as soon as the agreement commences, rather than
21 gradually as Iran demonstrates sustained adherence to the agreement;
- 22 • The proposed deal lifts key restrictions in as few as eight years;
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- 24 • The proposed deal would disconnect and store centrifuges in an easily reversible manner,
25 but it requires no dismantlement of centrifuges or any Iranian nuclear facility.

26 **WHEREAS**, The Baltimore City Council takes the Administration at his word that no deal is
27 better than a bad deal.

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE**, That the
2 Council calls on the Honorable Members of the Maryland Delegation to the 114th Congress to
3 ensure that Congress thoroughly studies the proposed nuclear deal with Iran during its 60 day
4 review period to determine if it genuinely meets the requirements laid out by both Congress and
5 the Administration for a workable deal, and urges the administration to work with our allies to
6 maintain economic pressure on Iran that will truly close off all Iranian paths to a nuclear weapon.

7 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor, the
8 Honorable Members of the House and Senate Leadership, the Honorable Members of the
9 Maryland House and Senate Delegations to the 114th Congress, and the Mayor’s Legislative
10 Liaison to the City Council.