## CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 06-0209R (Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmembers Kraft, D'Adamo, Holton, Curran, Clarke, Mitchell, Conaway, Welch, Young, Rawlings Blake, Spector, Reisinger Introduced and adopted: August 14, 2006

## A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

1	Race Equality and Inclusive Communities Week – September 25-29, 2006
2	For the purpose of declaring the week of September 25-29, 2006 as Race Equality and Inclusive
3	Communities Week in the City of Baltimore and urge all citizens of Baltimore to join
4	together in support of this effort to reaffirm our commitment to ensuring racial and ethnic
5	equality, justice, and inclusive communities in our city and to working with the National
6	League of Cities to sustain this commitment throughout the country.
7	Recitals
8	The National League of Cities is committed to promoting racial and ethnic equality, justice,
9	and inclusive communities as fundamental aspects of healthy communities. The National
10	League of Cities is urging local officials across the country to join together in a Partnership for
11	Working Toward Inclusive Communities. The National League of Cities has by resolution,
12	declared racism and discrimination unjust and they are advocates for equal rights for all.
13	By Act of Congress of the United States dated July 9, 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was
14	adopted banning discrimination because of a person's color, race, national origin, religion, or
15	sex. In addition, by Act of Congress of the United States dated July 9, 1868, the 4 <sup>th</sup> Amendment
16	of the Constitution of the United States was adopted giving all persons born or naturalized in the
17	United States the right to due process and equal protection under the law.
18	National League of Cities President James C. Hunt, Councilmember, Clarksburg, WV, has
19	invited local officials across the country to renew their commitment to ensuring racial equality,
20	justice, and inclusive communities for all during the week of September 25-29, 2006, by
21	reporting on successful programs and announcing specific action plans for the coming year.
22	Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That this
23	Body declares the week of September 25-29, 2006 as Race Equality and Inclusive Communities
24	Week in the City of Baltimore and urge all citizens of Baltimore to join together in support of
25	this effort to reaffirm our commitment to ensuring racial and ethnic equality, justice, and
26	inclusive communities in our city and to working with the National League of Cities to sustain
27	this commitment throughout the country.
28	AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Mayor,
29	Members of the National League of Cities, and the Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the Council.