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INTRODUCTORY*

CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL R
(Resolution)

Introduced by: Councilmember Spector

A RESOLUTION ENTITLED

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION concerning
Request for Federal Action - Thorough Review of the Proposed Nuclear Deal with Iran
FOR the purpose of calling on the Honorable Members of the Maryland Delegation to the 114th Congress to ensure that Congress thoroughly studies the proposed nuclear deal with Iran during its 60 day review period to determine if it genuinely meets the requirements laid out by both Congress and the Administration for a workable deal, and urging the administration to work with our allies to maintain economic pressure on Iran that will truly close off all Iranian paths to a nuclear weapon.

Recitals

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

- ◆ The proposed deal does not ensure ◆anytime, anywhere◆ short▲notice inspections;
- ◆ The proposed deal does not clearly condition sanctions relief on full Iranian cooperation in satisfying International Atomic Energy Agency concerns over the possible military dimensions of Tehran◆s program;
- ◆ The proposed deal lifts sanctions as soon as the agreement commences, rather than gradually as Iran demonstrates sustained adherence to the agreement;
- ◆ The proposed deal lifts key restrictions in as few as eight years;

◆ The proposed deal would disconnect and store centrifuges in an easily reversible manner, but it requires no dismantlement of centrifuges or any Iranian nuclear facility.

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

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

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

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