SUPPORT FOR U.N. MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS THROUGH LOCAL OBSERVANCES, SEPTEMBER 17-19, 2010

WHEREAS, 189 world leaders met September 17-19, 2000 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York and issued the Declaration of the Millennium Development Goals, which committed nations to work toward clear targets and goals; and

WHEREAS, the eight Millennium Development Goals (MDG) are eradication of extreme hunger and poverty; universal primary education; gender equality; reduction of child mortality; improvement of maternal health; combating HIV, malaria and other diseases; environmental sustainability; and development of a global partnership for development; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, in a speech to the U.N. General Assembly President Barack Obama reaffirmed the Millennium Development Goals as "America's Goals," and said that the United States will continue "our historic effort to realize these goals"; and

WHEREAS, although progress is being made toward realizing the Millennium Development Goals by 2015, the effects of climate change and other challenges call for nations to reaffirm their commitment,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The U.S. Conference of Mayors supports the End Poverty 2015 Millennium Campaign and supports the United Nations' "Millennium Campaign Days September 15-17, 2010," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The U.S. Conference of Mayors calls upon mayors throughout the country to support the U.N. Millennium Development Goals through local proclamations, events, and activities.