

CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, every person in the City of Englewood and in the United States deserves access to quality health care; and

WHEREAS, the Englewood City Council recognizes that it is increasingly difficult for many Englewood residents to obtain affordable quality health care; and

WHEREAS, the number of Americans without health insurance now exceeds 47 million; and millions with health insurance have inadequate coverage; and

WHEREAS, Harvard researchers have estimated that the United States taxpayers could recover more than \$300 billion by replacing private insurance companies with a national Single Payer system; and

WHEREAS the State of New Jersey alone could save \$2.5 billion with a national Single Payer system; and

WHEREAS, the City of Englewood now spends in excess of \$4,800,000 to provide health insurance to its employees and over \$800,000 to provide worker's compensation insurance, which could be saved by a national Single Payer system; and

WHEREAS, Congressional House Resolution 676, also known as the US National Health Insurance Act and Medicare for All would cover every person in the United States for all necessary medical care including outpatient services, primary and preventive care, emergency services, prescription drugs, hospital and surgical care, dental and vision care and mental health care; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 703 is a similar bill introduced in the US Senate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey, supports HR 676 and S 703 because they provide for a Single Payer Health Care System for all residents of the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council supports State Senator Loretta Weinberg's State Senate resolution calling on Congress and the President to enact H.R. 676, the "United States National Health Insurance Act" to establish universal health care in our country.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Englewood, NJ.

on JUL 21 2009

*[Signature]*  
City Clerk