

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Minneapolis (the "City") is facing a significant loss of local government aid from the State of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, the loss of these general fund revenues will result in forced reductions in community-oriented public safety activities that have played a major role in the safety and revitalization of our neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes section 469.1831, subdivision 2, requires that the activities of the NRP program must be in part "... preserve and enhance within the neighborhood ... public health and safety ...", and

WHEREAS, 35 neighborhoods of the City included strategies in their approved NRP Neighborhood Action Plans that supported community-oriented public safety activities over and above the usually provided level of services, and

WHEREAS, expenditures are permitted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 469.1831 to provide public safety services when they are over and above the level of general City services from funds reserved pursuant to Laws of Minnesota 1990, Chapter 604, article 7, section 29, subdivision 1, as amended by Laws of Minnesota 1991, Chapter 291, article 10, section 20, subdivision 1, and

WHEREAS, neighborhood representatives from throughout the City have emphasized the importance of continuing community-oriented public safety activities in an era of extremely limited resources, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NRP Policy Board dedicate one million dollars to a dedicated fund committed to community oriented public safety activities to be expended by December 31, 2004.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City shall only use these funds to support community oriented public safety initiatives that are over and above the level of general City public safety services that will result after the budget reductions from the reduced level of local government aid occurs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that expenditures from this fund shall be dedicated to community-oriented public safety initiatives, including but not limited to the following: CCP/SAFE staffing levels, bike patrols, foot patrols, and community-based and directed police presence across the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that police administration shall work with the Neighborhood Revitalization Program and the Precinct Advisory Committees in developing a plan for the expenditure of these funds as approved in neighborhood action plans and consistent with statutory requirements.