1 **[INSERT COMMITTEE OF JURISDICTION]**

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3 **[INSERT TITLE OF RESOLUTION]**

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5 **Issue: [Short sentence stating the purpose of the resolution]** Ex. Aging population growth is

6 increasing demand services to older Americans.

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8 **Proposed Policy**: **[Concise statement specifying a position or action by NACo and/or other**

9 **entities]** Ex. NACo urges the strengthening, through additional funding, of the Older Americans

10 Act in these key areas: home delivered nutrition services, case management, information and

11 assistance service, Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), Supportive

12 Services (including Long Term Care), Ombudsman Program, and Health Promotion and Disease

13 Prevention. NACo further urges Congress to reauthorize the Older Americans Act (OAA),

14 expand program flexibility to distribute funds between nutrition programs (Title III C), as well as

15 between Title III C and Supportive Services (Title III B). NACo further supports the local

16 service delivery structure for OAA programs.

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18 **Background**: **[1-2 paragraph statement which clearly outlines the county interest in the**

19 **particular issue]** Ex. Today, nearly 39 million Americans, or 13 percent of the population, are

20 over the age of 65. This number will swell to 21 percent by 2050. As the population ages, the

21 need becomes greater to provide supportive services that keep seniors active, productive, and

22 independent while living in the least restrictive environment possible.

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24 NACo supports the OAA and calls for additional funding to strengthen programs that encourage

25 and enable the expansion of in-home case management, community-based care and assisted

26 living facilities as a means of avoiding unnecessary institutional care. This should include

27 Medicare or Medicaid paying for the unfunded portion of OAA services such as adult day

28 programs, home delivered meals, case management and medication management.

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30 NACo urges Congress to expand and improve access to daily nutrition and meal services, respite

31 care, home care services, adult daycare, services to family caregivers, information and referral

32 services, and research. Under current law, states and area agencies on aging have limited ability

33 to transfer funds within nutrition programs (Titles III C1 and C2) and between support services

34 (Title III B) and nutrition and vice versa.

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36 **Fiscal/Urban/Rural Impact**: **[Short statement addressing the potential impacts for counties**

37 **in the specific issue area]** Would provide new federal funds to counties and community based

38 organizations

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40 **Sponsor**:**[Name, Title, County of sponsor]**

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