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Chairman Vincent C. Gray
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To approve proposed rulemaking to amend the provisions allowing persons first employed by the District government on or after October 1, 1987 who are eligible for coverage under the District of Columbia Employees Health Benefits Program to enroll their domestic partner and the dependent children of the domestic partner for family health benefits coverage, to provide that the employee shall pay 25% of the cost of family health insurance coverage for the domestic partner or family members and the District government shall pay the remaining 75%.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Domestic Partnership Health Care Benefits Expansion Amendment Rulemaking Approval Resolution of 2009”.

Sec. 2. Pursuant to section 10 of the Health Care Benefits Expansion Act of 1992, effective June 11, 1992 (D.C. Law 9-114; D.C. Official Code § 32-709), the Council approves the rulemaking notice proposed by the Director of the D.C. Department of Human Resources to amend Chapter 21 of the D.C. Personnel Regulations, Health Benefits, for the purpose of implementing the provisions of the Health Care Benefits Expansion Amendment Act of 2006 (“Act”), effective April 4, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-82; D.C. Official Code § 32-706). The Act provides that a person first employed by the District government on or after October 1, 1987 who is eligible for coverage under the District of Columbia Employees Health Benefits Program (“Program”) who enrolls his or her domestic partner and the dependent children of the domestic partner in the Program,

1 shall pay 25% of the cost of family health insurance coverage for the domestic partner or
2 family members, and the District government shall pay the remaining 75%. Before the
3 enactment of the Act, employees had to assume the total additional cost of family health
4 insurance for domestic partners and eligible family members. The Notice of Proposed
5 Rulemaking would amend section 2129, Optional Health Benefits Coverage for Domestic
6 Partners, of Chapter 21 of the D.C. Personnel Regulations, for the main purpose of
7 implementing the provisions of the Act.

Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

8 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as
9 the fiscal impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia
10 Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
11 206.02(c)(3)).

12 Sec. 4. Transmittal.

13 The Council shall transmit a copy of the resolution, upon its adoption, to the
14 Director, Department of Human Resources, and to the Mayor.

15 Sec. 5. Effective date.

16 This resolution shall take effect immediately.