



CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.

RESOLUTION

Relating to: Authorization of grant assistance to states under the Indoor Radon Abatement Act.

- WHEREAS:** The United States Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Surgeon General, and other national public health authorities have identified long-term exposure to elevated levels of radon and its progeny as the second leading cause of lung cancer; and
- WHEREAS:** Long-term exposure to elevated levels of radon and its progeny poses a significant risk to the public health and safety; and
- WHEREAS:** Any home, school, or building may have elevated levels of radon and its progeny, even if neighboring homes and buildings do not; and
- WHEREAS:** The burden of developing and implementing a radon protection program is ultimately a state responsibility; and
- WHEREAS:** The Indoor Radon Abatement Act of 1988 provided three years of funding to the State Indoor Radon Grant Program; and
- WHEREAS:** Funding to assist states in developing and implementing radon protection programs under the 1988 Radon Abatement Act will expire; and
- WHEREAS:** Any future funding requiring a state match of 50% will pose an extreme hardship on many states during this time of reduced state income; and
- WHEREAS:** States need continued federal funding to develop self-sufficient, state-responsive radon protection programs; and
- WHEREAS:** Timely reauthorization of the Indoor Radon Abatement Act is now at a critical point in the Congress, particularly in the House of Representatives;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED:

The Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc., recommends that the State Indoor Radon Grant Program be reauthorized beyond 1994 and that the required state match be reduced to 25% so as to provide all states sufficient time to develop responsive state radon protection programs.

Adopted by the CRCPD Membership on May 17, 1992 in Orlando, Florida.