

RESOLUTION 79 - 2009

**Endorsing the spending of Federal Stimulus Renewal Grants to Buy American**

**WHEREAS**, the economic downturn is having a critical impact on everyday Americans who are struggling to maintain or find jobs in an increasingly difficult environment; and

**WHEREAS**, those same American's are the taxpayers that provide the revenue needed to operate essential government services; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress and President Obama are planning a taxpayer-sponsored economic recovery package that will provide billions of dollars to help economically devastated cities and states immediately provide jobs to millions of out-of-work Americans through considerable infrastructure rebuilding, green energy projects and other projects that will require manufactured components; and

**WHEREAS**, our taxpayer dollars should be spent to maximize the creation of American jobs and restoring the economic vitality of our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, any domestically produced products that are purchased with economic recovery plan monies will immediately help struggling American families and will help stabilize our greater economy; and

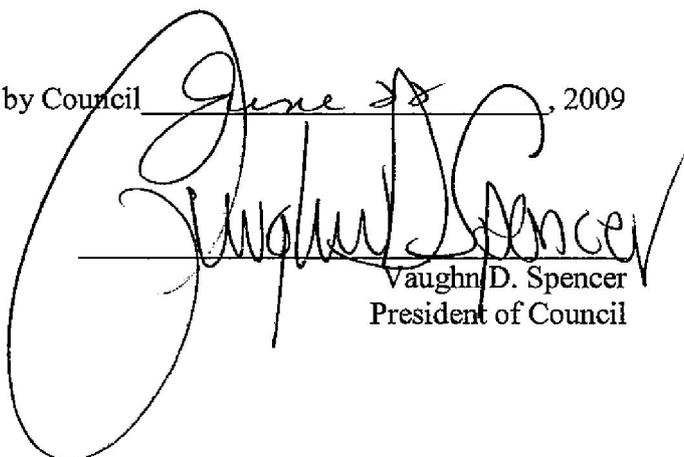
**WHEREAS**, any economic recovery plan spending should – to every extent possible – include a commitment from Reading, Pennsylvania to buy materials, goods and services for projects from companies that are produced within the United States, thus employing the very workers that pay the taxes for the economic recovery plan spending in the first place.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING** that we the undersigned will work to maximize the creation of American jobs and restoring economic growth and opportunity by spending economic recovery plan funds on products and services that both create jobs and help keep Americans employed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** we commit to purchasing only products and services that are made or performed in the United States of America whenever and wherever possible with any economic recovery monies provided to Reading, Pennsylvania by the American taxpayers; and

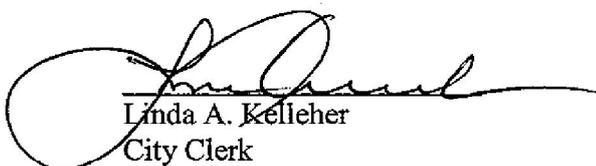
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** as legislators of Reading, Pennsylvania we commit to publish any requests to waive these procurement priorities so as to give American workers and producers the opportunity to identify and provide the American products and services that will maximize the success of our nation's economic recovery program.

Adopted by Council June 23, 2009



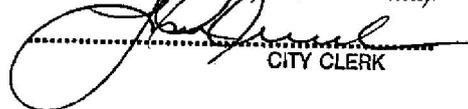
Vaughn D. Spencer  
President of Council

Attest:



Linda A. Kelleher  
City Clerk

I, LINDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 23 day of June A. D. 2009. Witness my hand and seal of the said City this 23 day of June A. D. 2009.



CITY CLERK