Resolution No. __4

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NAHB Resolution

Title: Reduce Regulatory Burdens on Small Businesses

Sponsor: HBA of Kentucky Submitted by: Mike J. Kegley

WHEREAS, regulatory reform legislation, and other congressional efforts, are needed to increase the accountability and transparency with respect to federal agency rule making;

WHEREAS, some proposed legislation would provide for congressional review and oversight of rule making by the Executive branch of government before new regulations would take affect;

WHEREAS, this improved accountability and transparency would provide more information and analysis regarding the impact of executive branch rule making, including the cost of such regulation on small businesses across the country;

WHEREAS, according to the Small Business Administration (SBA), small businesses continue to bear a disproportionate share of the federal regulatory burden;

WHEREAS, according to the same SBA research the annual cost of these federal regulations increased to more than \$1.75 trillion;

WHEREAS, the housing industry economy has most recently been stifled by regulations issued by the EPA and the FDIC, among other federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, on average, regulations imposed by government at all levels account for 25 percent of the final price of a new single-family home built for sale,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that NAHB support Congressional efforts to address overly burdensome regulations, especially those that impact small businesses in the housing industry;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NAHB support efforts by Congress to ensure greater transparency and accountability in the federal regulatory process.

Board of Directors Action: Approved

Executive Board Action:Recommends ApprovalResolutions Committee Action:Recommends ApprovalHousing Finance Committee Action:Recommends ApprovalConstruction Safety & Health Committee Action:Recommends ApprovalSingle Family Small Volume Builders Committee Action:Recommends ApprovalEnvironmental Issues Committee Action:Recommends ApprovalFederal Government Affairs Committee Action:Recommends Approval