Resolution No. __6A

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NAHB Resolution

Title: Expansion of Commercial Bank Powers Original Sponsor: Federal Government Affairs Committee

WHEREAS, Congress is considering legislation to expand powers of commercial banking institutions;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency is considering permitting national banks to conduct real estate development in bank subsidiaries under recent regulation authorizing such operating subsidiaries;

WHEREAS, in recent years Congress has carefully considered real estate development powers and concluded that this activity is not suitable for national banks; and

WHEREAS, current legislative restrictions are not without historical justification because there are many examples in the recent past of insured institutions suffering large losses over a short period of time from undertaking direct real estate development and investment activities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Association of Home Builders oppose legislation and regulatory actions that would expand the powers of commercial banks to engage in real estate development and investment other than real estate used in the bank's daily operations.

Board of Directors Action:
Joint Executive/Resolutions Committee Action:
Resolutions Committee Action:
Federal Governmental Affairs Committee Action:

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