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CHAIRMAN JOE SANCHEZ URGES U.S. SENATE AND HOUSE TO BACK PRESIDENT'S HEALTH CARE REFORM

(Miami, FL)- City Commission Chairman Joe Sanchez passed legislation today urging the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives to support President Barack Obama's goals of making health care more affordable and available to all Americans.

Adopted unanimously by the City Commission, the resolution further urges insurance companies, employers and state governments to embrace comprehensive health care reform to protect American families.

"Everyone is talking about stimulus plans. Improving health care for working families is the best stimulus plan we could possibly create for people in Miami," said Sanchez, noting that many of his constituents can no longer afford health care.

If costs are allowed to continue skyrocketing out of control, one in five dollars in America will be spent on health care by 2015, according to the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

"Quality health care is a basic human right that enables Americans to pursue great education, jobs, communities, families and quality of life." Sanchez said. "Out of control health care costs not only hurt working families, but also threaten our entire economy."

Sanchez pledged to fight for health care reform, calling it "an investment in maintaining our very standing as the greatest nation on earth."

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