

Resolution No. 11-503

WHEREAS, Parkston, South Dakota, continues to have a high incidence of poverty and unemployment and these conditions severely affect the quality of life for many of our neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the Rural Office of Community Services, Inc. has utilized Community Services Block Grant and other funding leverage from that source to successfully and efficiently provide services and opportunities to low-income and unemployed residents; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Block Grant provides not only funding but by law assures local control through a mandated board structure and flexibility to address changing local needs; and

WHEREAS, funding for the Community Services Block Grant is targeted for drastic reductions in multiple federal budget proposals, putting the entire range of services and opportunities provided by the Rural Office of Community Services, Inc. at risk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Parkston City Council is fully supportive of the Rural Office of Community Services, Inc. and urges that adequate funding for the Community Services Block Grant be adopted in the Congressional appropriations process to assure the continuation of so many vital services to the citizens of Parkston.

Dated this 12th day of April 2011, at Parkston, South Dakota.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Auditor/Clerk