RESOLVED, that the American Bar Association urges Congress, upon consideration of the circumstances then-existing, including other competing budgetary priorities, and to the extent deemed warranted in light of all the relevant fiscal and economic considerations, consider the feasibility of enacting and the President signing legislation authorizing the annual appropriation of federal distributive funding to the several states of the United States of America and their respective local governments and political subdivisions in 2011, and thereafter, as warranted by then-existing relevant fiscal and economic considerations, in order to ensure continuity of funding of essential state and local government programs, projects and services following appropriations from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that, in the course of determining federal distributive funding appropriations, standards, including efficiency, competition and transparency as embodied, for example, in the Model Procurement Code, should be applied which recognize, encourage and reward State and local government efforts to reduce the costs and streamline government structures and institutions in order to promote efficiency, enhanced service delivery, global competitiveness and the rule of law.