



**CONFERENCE OF RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM DIRECTORS, INC.**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**RESOLUTION**

**Relating to: EPA Radon SIRG Program**

**WHEREAS:** Exposure to radon poses a significant health risk to the public and is considered to be the leading cause of lung cancer for non-smokers; and

**WHEREAS:** Smoking combined with elevated indoor radon levels is an especially serious health risk; and

**WHEREAS:** Children may receive much higher radiation doses from radon exposure due to the smaller size of their lungs and faster breathing rates; and

**WHEREAS:** An estimated 27 percent of homes in many areas of the country have radon levels greater than the 4 picocurie per liter [pCi/L] Action Level at which the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends fixing a home to prevent or mitigate radon intrusion; and

**WHEREAS:** In the United States, 33% of the 3219 counties and parishes in all 50 states have predicted average indoor radon levels greater than the 4 pCi/L Action Level; and

**WHEREAS:** Using current and basic mitigation technology, the risk of lung cancer due to indoor radon exposure can be easily and inexpensively decreased; and

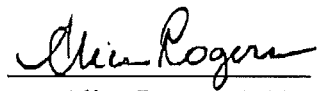
**WHEREAS:** Many states have been funded by EPA for over two decades to reduce lung cancer deaths by conducting public awareness campaigns throughout the year and in connection with the "National Radon Action Month" and to increase public awareness about cancer risks associated with radon exposure and the need for increased testing and mitigation; and

**WHEREAS:** Public outreach partners including state departments of health and environment, the American Lung Association, American Cancer Society, state associations of TV and radio broadcasters, hospitals, universities, secondary schools and the radon industry rely on EPA SIRG money to motivate homeowners, businesses and schools to test and mitigate radon.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

We the CRCPD Board resolve this March 9, 2012, that the President, EPA and Congress work to maintain radon SIRG grant funding in the FY13 national budget to *ensure state and local governments are able to reduce public lung cancer risk from radon.*

Approved by the CRCPD Board of Directors this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2012.



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