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Resolution No. 8

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT

WHEREAS, the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges reaffirms its support for reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act and requests that Congress move expeditiously to reauthorize this important and successful federal initiative; and

WHEREAS, the National Council also requests that Congress authorize and appropriate increased resources to enable the juvenile justice system to deal more effectively with the serious and complicated problems presented by troubled youth. Those youth who are delinquent or at risk of delinquent behavior – especially in America's cities – represent a disproportionate number of our children and require a greater allocation of resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges also requests Congress to act to ensure the greatest possible independence of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

Adopted this 24th day of July, 2007 By the Membership Assembled in Conference In San Francisco, California