RESOLUTION NO. 6157

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING ALBANY'S STATUS AS A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT RECIPIENT

WHEREAS, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awards Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to metropolitan cities with populations of at least 50,000; and

WHEREAS, the Census Bureau's July 1, 2011 population estimates show that the City of Albany has reached the threshold population of 50,000 and is now a metropolitan city, and

WHEREAS, as a metropolitan city, the City of Albany is eligible to receive Community Development Block Grant funding annually as an "entitlement" community; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG entitlement program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, as an entitlement city, the City of Albany, would develop its own programs and funding priorities in a Consolidated Plan (the jurisdiction's comprehensive planning document and application for funding) and a Citizen Participation Plan; and

WHEREAS, there is demand for housing and community development programs in the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany has expressed interest in assisting low- and moderate- income residents with suitable living environments and great neighborhoods, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council agrees to accept the he status as a CDBG recipient in order to become an entitlement city; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as an entitlement city, the City will develop a Consolidated Plan and Citizen Participation Plan

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 22nd DAY OF August 2012.

Mayor

ATTEST