**A Resolution to Encourage Supportive Care for the**

**Mentally Ill**

**WHEREAS**, Supportive Care is a method of treating mental illness which provides housing and support services in an outpatient setting; and

**WHEREAS**, this type of care is often less expensive than traditional inpatient treatment in hospital settings; and

**WHEREAS**, for many people, Supportive Care provides them with a measure of dignity which is crucial for their mental well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, most of the same treatments and therapies done in inpatient centers can be provided in this environment; and

**WHEREAS**, current Supportive Care centers in places such as New York City have shown promising results; and

**WHEREAS**, many abandoned or underutilized apartment complexes, which contribute to urban blight, can be converted to Supportive Care centers; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that states and local communities set up subsidized housing for the supportive care of mentally ill individuals.