

Clarke County Democratic Committee



A Resolution: Saving the SCHIP program

Whereas, Children's Health is an issue that is vital to the future of this country, and

Whereas, the Georgia Peach Care program needs an additional \$130 million above current federal funding levels simply to serve the 275,000 children of the working poor currently enrolled in Peach Care and the proposed CHIPRA legislation would have funded Health care for these and an additional 100,000 children of the working poor currently eligible for Peach Care but not enrolled, and

Whereas, President Bush has vetoed the CHIPRA legislation and the Congress has failed to override the veto cutting off funding for the SCHIP program which in turn is needed to fund the Peach Care Program, and

Whereas, children of the working poor covered by these plans would otherwise not have health insurance and many could not get needed health care not only exposing them to sickness or death but also forcing the care of the sickest of them on to the already overburdened Emergency Care System;

Therefore let it be resolved, that the Clarke County Democratic Committee recognizes the vital need for the SCHIP and Peach Care programs to continue, and

Furthermore, the Committee will communicate to our Congressmen and Senators our recommendation that every effort be made to propose and support legislation that will save the SCHIP program and expand the program to fund health care for children who would not otherwise be insured, and

Furthermore, upon adoption of this resolution by vote of the Committee at a regularly scheduled meeting, this resolution shall be communicated to these elected officials, to the public and to the press.

Approved by vote of the Committee, October 23, 2007
David B. Jarrett, MD, Resolutions Chairman
Mac Rawson, PhD, Committee Chair