

DEMONSTRATION CITIES AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING OF THE
COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 10 a.m., in room 2128, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. William A. Barrett (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Representatives Barrett, Mrs. Sullivan, Moorhead, St Germain, Gonzalez, Reuss, and Fino.

Also present: Representative Johnson of the full committee.

Mr. BARRETT. The committee will come to order.

Our first witness this morning is Nathaniel Keith, representing the National Housing Conference.

I wonder, Mr. Keith, if you would be kind enough to let us extend our congressional courtesy to one of our most able and knowledgeable colleagues who wants to be recognized to submit a statement for the record.

Mr. KEITH. I would be very happy to.

Mr. BARRETT. Congressman Madden, please come to the witness table.

Congressman, we are certainly pleased to have such a distinguished and knowledgeable Member of Congress, one recognized for his very fine work on the Rules Committee, who has been recognized by all the Members from all the States in the House for his splendid and untiring cooperation.

Certainly your statement here this morning I am quite sure is going to be helpful to this committee in marking up this bill.

You may choose any way you desire to submit your statement—you may either submit it for the record or if you desire to read your statement, we will be glad to abide by whatever you choose.

STATEMENT OF HON. RAY J. MADDEN, A REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF INDIANA

Mr. MADDEN. Mr. Chairman, I want to commend Chairman Patman and you, Chairman Barrett, of the subcommittee, and also the members of the Banking and Currency Committee for holding hearings on this legislation in order to bring about some method wherein we can relieve the deplorable situation that exists in a number of our metropolitan cities.

H.R. 12341 proposes to assist cities in rebuilding slum and blight areas and providing public facilities and other municipal functions to aid the general welfare of the people.