

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1967 1587

that greater support and funding be given to the programs administered through the Office of Economic Opportunity and that intensive research be undertaken with the purpose of revamping our welfare systems.

Noting the careful and definitive planning that has gone into the A. Philip Randolph Institute's proposal, "A 'Freedom Budget' for All Americans", we urge, furthermore, that this study be considered in designing legislation which would earmark a substantial percentage of our future economic growth for the eradication of poverty.

THE PRESBYTERY OF WASHINGTON CITY,
THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Washington D.C., June 15, 1967.

HON. CARL D. PERKINS,
Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN PERKINS: The General Council of the Presbytery of Washington City at its meeting June 12, 1967 passed the following resolution which is sent to you for the consideration of yourself and your committee:

"The General Council of the Presbytery of Washington City favors the continuation of the Office of Economic Opportunity as the Agency for the coordination of the war on poverty, with substantial increase in appropriations for its programs."

Faithfully yours,

JOHN H. GROSVENOR, Jr., *Stated Clerk.*

B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN,
Washington, D.C., June 30, 1967.

HON. CARL D. PERKINS
Chairman, Committee on Education and Labor,
House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN PERKINS: B'nai B'rith Women wishes to express its continuing support for our country's War on Poverty. Therefore we support the continuation of a central agency (such as the Office of Economic Opportunity) to concentrate on the problems of the poor. We believe it is too soon to end this experiment or to weaken the effectiveness of the agency. A central agency is needed for the development of many facets of a program which is designed specifically to meet the needs of poor people and to coordinate the many poverty-related programs of all Federal agencies.

The enclosed resolution concerning the Anti-Poverty Program was approved at a recent meeting of the Executive Board of B'nai B'rith Women representing 135,000 members, in session at Washington, D.C.

We will appreciate it if you will include this in the House record of the hearings.

Sincerely,

Wallye Rosenbluth
MRS. ARTHUR G. ROSENBLUTH, *President.*

ANTI-POVERTY PROGRAM

Whereas, the various Anti-Poverty programs have as their major goal the elimination of poverty for all Americans, and

Whereas, one purpose of these programs is to enable deprived groups to live in dignity, and

Whereas, an additional purpose is to provide opportunities to increase self-respect, and

Whereas, the Anti-Poverty programs are designed to assist deprived groups to develop constructive community channels for self-help, and

Whereas, the Anti-Poverty Program also seeks realistic solutions to these problems originating initially from those immediately affected,

Therefore, be it, resolved, That B'nai B'rith Women continue its support of programs designed to raise the economic level of the disadvantaged, be actively involved in community action projects which support the Anti-Poverty programs, and