

regulations for uniform application of urban development programs within the purview of this policy.

The many, many programs scattered throughout the Federal Establishment are sorely in need of this kind of common direction which title IV would permit.

Title V, "Congressional Review of Federal Grant-in-Aids," is a matter that has been before the Congress, as we all know, for quite some time. It is sound. Again, in the interests of coordination and making similar programs work constructively together this review should occur and the passage of title V would assist in this regard.

Title VI again, in our opinion, is a very necessary concept which would give to the President the type of authority he now has in reorganization matters but in this instance to the consolidation of similar and complementary grant-in-aid programs. We all know, for example, the very large number of similar categorical grants for community water supply, sewage, and sewage treatment facilities. These are complementary and I am sure more effective use of the Federal dollar and more meaningful use locally can be made if several of these similar programs were to be consolidated under the authority granted by title VI.

Title VII, dealing with the acquisition, use and disposition of land within urban areas by Federal agencies is the kind of legislation that planners all over the country have been seeking for many years. In short, this legislation would provide that the Federal Government would have to behave in the same manner as any other citizen is expected to behave within a local jurisdiction and conform with all of its planning requirements and the land use planning most particularly established by that locality. This is very sound legislation and should be adopted to assist the localities of the country in their orderly development.

Title VIII, "The Uniform Relocation Assistance," in our opinion, is long, long overdue. For years there have been relocation assistance programs particularly in relation to Department of Housing and Urban Development assisted undertakings. This legislation would establish uniform provisions and assistance for the relocation of persons and businesses made necessary by any action of any federally assisted program. The urgent importance of this legislation can be realized in connection with the unrest in our central cities areas today, where over the years almost ruthless actions of local, State, and Federal agencies have consistently continued to stir up the living patterns of people long established in older and decaying neighborhoods. This proposal is a humane and essential recommendation.

Mr. Chairman, I also have with me, and we would request to insert into the record, a policy statement adopted on May the 5th on equal opportunity, by the board of governors, American Institute of Planners.

Paragraph C indicates the institute's support of efforts to measure the need for and increase the supply of housing for all, and especially people of low income, both within existing communities and elsewhere in rural and metropolitan areas and to minimize the negative impacts of population displacement through the careful staging of projects.

Now, I submit you cannot talk about the careful staging of projects unless you have the essence of the spirit and detail of title VIII as