

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 13, 1975

The Speaker of the
House of Representatives

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1976 in the amount of \$50,000,000 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, with whose comments and observations I concur.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "F" at the end.

Enclosure



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

June 13, 1975

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1976, involving an increase in the amount of \$50,000,000 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Community Planning and Development

<u>Budget Appendix Page</u>	<u>Heading</u>	<u>1976 Pending Request</u>	<u>1976 Proposed Amendment</u>	<u>1976 Revised Request</u>
492	Comprehensive Planning Grants	-0-	50,000,000	50,000,000

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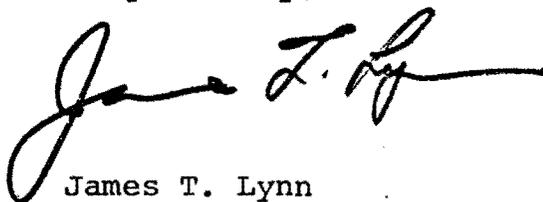
For comprehensive planning grants as authorized by Section 701 of the Housing Act of 1954, as amended (40 U.S.C. 461), \$50,000,000, to remain available until expended.

The proposed budget amendment would provide for grants to States, areawide agencies, and local governments for comprehensive planning and management activities. The original Administration proposal for fiscal year 1976

involved the use of \$50,000,000 deferred from the fiscal year 1975 appropriation. The Senate overrode that deferral on March 13, 1975, making use of the deferred funds mandatory in fiscal year 1975. The budget amendment is necessary to provide the program level for Comprehensive Planning Grants originally proposed for fiscal year 1976.

I have carefully reviewed the proposal for appropriations contained in this document and am satisfied that this request is necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that this proposal be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James T. Lynn", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

James T. Lynn
Director