METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAXACCESS-PROBIZ 2003

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) supports the enhancement of small and minority business throughout the metropolitan Washington region and the opportunities for small and minority businesses to do business with the Council's member jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, COG will be co-sponsoring Maxaccess-Probiz 2003 with the Minority Business Coalition on May 1, 2003 at the Washington Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, Maxaccess-Probiz 2003 is designed to provide the region's small and minority businesses with valuable information on doing business with COG's member jurisdictions and available contracting opportunities with those jurisdictions as well as with business-to-business contracting opportunities; and

WHEREAS, a strong regional economy is enhanced through the development of the region's small and minority business community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

- 1. COG supports the goals of Maxaccess-Probiz 2003 to strengthen small and minority businesses through the metropolitan Washington region;
- 2. COG urges the participation of its member governments as well as the region's school boards, commissions and agencies in Maxaccess-Probiz 2003; and
- 3. COG urges, jurisdictions, school boards, commissions and agencies participating in Maxaccess-Probiz 2003, where allowed, to bring procurement opportunities available for bidding and award to small and minority business to Maxaccess-Probiz 2003.
