

**Resolution R37-2013
January 8, 2014**

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

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE COG BOARD'S GUIDELINES FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the Council of Governments (COG) has become increasingly engaged in, and placed a greater focus on, strengthening its relationship with state and federal officials and the advocacy of regional priorities; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board of Directors recognizes the need for established criteria and a process for developing COG's legislative and policy positions, now, and into the future; and

WHEREAS, the proposed "Guidelines for Policy Development" clearly define parameters and provide practical guidance to the Board, and its committees, when considering policy action;

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

The Board endorses the "Guidelines for Policy Development" (attached) and directs staff to include these guidelines in the Board's annual orientation manuals.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on January 8, 2014.

***Monica Beyrouti
Clerk to the Board of Directors***