

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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RESOLUTION ADOPTING A TITLE VI POLICY STATEMENT AND PLAN

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is an independent, nonprofit association supported by financial contributions from its participating local governments, federal and state grants and contracts, and donations from foundations and the private sector; and

WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, COG commits to assure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100.259), be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any COG program or activity regardless of the funding source; and

WHEREAS, COG serves as the administrative agent for the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) under an agreement with the Transportation Departments of Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia; and

WHEREAS, the TPB is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region and has the responsibility under the provisions of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act (SAFETEA-LU) for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, COG, as the administrative agent for the TPB, receives Federal transportation funding;

WHEREAS, COG receives Federal funding from other agencies that also have Title VI requirements.

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

The Board approves the proposed Title VI Policy Statement and Plan in order to meet Title VI and attendant federal requirements. The Executive Director, in his capacity, will serve as the Title VI Officer and is authorized to revise and update the plan as necessary.

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Nicole Hange, Board Clerk