

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
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**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE TRUCK SAFETY TASK FORCE REPORT**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors established a Truck Safety Task Force in February 2003 to examine truck safety issues in the Washington metropolitan region and identify ways COG and area state and local governments can further enhance rules and regulations to better inform and protect motorists and pedestrians; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force presented initial finding to the COG Board in September 2003, which highlighted key findings and identified three broad principles of truck safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force sponsored a regional transportation safety workshop in November 2003 to reach out to key public and private transportation safety stakeholders in the Washington metropolitan region; and

**WHEREAS**, at its October 17, 2003 Public Safety Policy Committee meeting, endorsed the report, *Truck Safety in the Metropolitan Washington Region* for COG Board consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, the report identified three implementation strategies for COG Board review and consideration.

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

1. The COG Board of Directors accepts the Truck Safety Task Force report and directs COG staff to disseminate copies to COG member local governments.
2. The Board shall consider the implementation strategies recommended by the Task Force and take action as appropriate by March 2004.
3. The COG Board extends its appreciation to Chair Mary K. Hill and the members of the Truck Safety Task Force for their work in examining the transportation safety in the Washington area, outlining enforcement, education and engineering opportunities and proposing implementation strategies to expand COG's role and impact on this important issue.