

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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RESOLUTION TO ADOPT COG'S UPDATED STRATEGIC PLAN

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) was established in 1957 as a mechanism for local elected officials to collaborate on solutions to common issues and problems facing their jurisdictions and the region; and

WHEREAS, COG has provided vital support to the region for more than forty years on issues such as growth and development, affordable housing, transportation, environmental protection, human services, public safety, including emergency response; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, COG adopted its first Strategic Plan that strengthened the Board's role in regional policy making which provided a framework for COG's current operation; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, COG undertook the development of a new Strategic Plan to guide COG's activities into the new century and millennium; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, based on feedback and guidance from the July 2004 Board Retreat, the Strategic Planning Committee developed recommended updated Vision, Mission, and Goal Statements for the Board's consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that the Strategic Plan be a living document, forming the basis for its FY 2006 Work Program and Budget, and refined and updated on a regular basis to ensure that COG continuously enhances its role as a vital resource for the Washington metropolitan region.

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

1. The updated Strategic Plan is adopted by the COG Board.
2. The Strategic Planning Committee will provide ongoing oversight and review of the plan's implementation, as well as integration with COG's annual work program and budget.
