METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20002-4290

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO A FEDERAL COST-SHARING AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINNEERS, BALTIMORE DISTRICT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING AN ANACOSTIA WATERSHED RESTORATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is both a nationally recognized watershed restoration leader and has provided coordination, management, technical and administrative support for the Anacostia restoration effort since 1987; and

WHEREAS, as the local, non-federal sponsor, COG in 2006 entered into an Anacostia Federal Cost-Sharing Agreement (FCSA) with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District (Corps) for the purpose of expressing both local and state interest and need for the creation of an 'Anacostia Watershed Restoration Plan' (Plan); and

WHEREAS, non-federal partner funding support for creation of the Plan requires a second FCSA with the Corps, with COG again serving as the local, non-federal sponsor; and

WHEREAS, the identification of environmental problems, remedial actions needed, costs and priorities using a comprehensive and coordinated watershed approach is critical to accelerating the Anacostia restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, COG has a continuing interest in the restoration, management and protection of the Anacostia River and all of its tributaries; and

WHEREAS, COG is a recognized leader in working in partnership with various local, state, and federal government agencies, environmental and community groups to further the Anacostia restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, at COG's June 14, 2006 Board meeting, Resolution R28-06 was approved establishing a new Anacostia governance structure which further strengthens the Anacostia partnership and its restoration role.

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

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into partnership agreements with Montgomery County, Prince George's County, the District of Columbia and the state of Maryland, enabling the Council to enter into a Federal Cost-Sharing Agreement (FCSA) with the Corps, for the purpose of developing an Anacostia Watershed Restoration Plan. The FCSA will include a total, pass-through cash amount, not to exceed \$450,842, to the Corps. COG will retain an additional cash amount, not to exceed \$276,000, for its planning, technical support and coordination-related services. COG's FY08 budget includes in-kind services related to Plan development. No local matching funds are required. The project duration is two- years.
