

## NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD 777 North Capitol Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20002-4290

## PROCLAMATION ESTABLISHING SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2012 AS CAR FREE DAY IN THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON REGION

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB through its Commuter Connections program promotes and organizes the annual Car Free Day event along with its network members throughout the Washington area; and

**WHEREAS,** Car Free Day invites Washington region citizens to try alternative forms of transportation such as transit, bicycling and walking, and "car lite" methods such as carpools; and

**WHEREAS**, Car Free Day benefits the National Capital Region through improved air quality, reduced traffic congestion and parking demands, and the conservation of energy; and

**WHEREAS**, Car Free Day corresponds with international mobility week, occurring September 16-22, celebrating sustainable mobility.

**NOW, therefore, be it resolved** that the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board:

- 1. Proclaims Saturday, September 22, 2012 as Car Free Day throughout the Washington Metropolitan Region; and
- 2. Encourages citizens to pledge to be Car Free or Car-lite by visiting www.carfreemetrodc.org; and
- 3. Asks TPB Member jurisdictions to adopt similar proclamations in support of Car Free Day.