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

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2021 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD (TPB)-
FREDERICKSBURG AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (FAMPO)
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

WHEREAS, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) are responsible for carrying out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive (3-C) planning process for urbanized areas (UZAs) in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) is the federally designated MPO for the Washington (DC-MD-VA) urbanized area and has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the 2000 Census, the Washington D.C. urbanized area (UZA) extended into the northern portion of Stafford County which is part of the Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's (FAMPO) metropolitan planning area; and

WHEREAS, a memorandum of understanding (MOU) was established in 2004 between TPB and FAMPO to determine how the metropolitan planning process would be performed for the portion of the Washington UZA that overlaps with the FAMPO planning area (northern portion of Stafford County); and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) certification review of the TPB and FAMPO recommended updating this MOU;

WHEREAS, between September 2019 and February 2021, the TPB and FAMPO have worked in cooperation with legal counsel, the Virginia Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and staff to develop and refine a draft MOU; and

WHEREAS, the TPB Technical Committee has received regular updates on the status of the development of the draft MOU, received the draft MOU on April 2, 2021, and the committee recommended approval by the TPB at its meeting on May 7; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board hereby approves the 2021 TPB-FAMPO MOU (Attachment 1) and authorizes its Chair to execute the agreement on behalf of the TPB.