## METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE WASHINGTON, DC 20002-4239

## RESOLUTION ENDORSING A PLANNING INITIATIVE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1

**WHEREAS,** the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is comprised of the 22 jurisdictions of the National Capital Region's local governments and their governing officials, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures and the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and COG provides a focus for action on issues of regional concern; and

**WHEREAS**, the COG Board received, accepted, and approved the "Final Report of 9-1-1 Service Gaps During and Following the Derecho Storm on June 29, 2012" on March 13, 2013 that established the 9-1-1 Directors Committee and approved other recommendations to include the Next Generation 9-1-1 initiative; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board is hereby informed that Verizon has declared a corporate strategy to migrate away from the existing analog 9-1-1 network as soon as practical and that the existing infrastructure has reached the end of its life and will no longer be supported by Verizon within the next few years; and

**WHEREAS**, the COG Board supports the 9-1-1 Directors Committee in its use of FY14 UASI grant funds to design and develop a Next Generation 9-1-1 migration plan to upgrade and replace current inadequate 9-1-1 capabilities through local, regional, and other procurement efforts; and

WHEREAS, the 9-1-1 Directors Committee will consider and recommend alternative approaches for how best to implement Next Generation 9-1-1 to ensure a solid, technologically sound infrastructure is planned for 9-1-1 call processing in the region; and

**WHEREAS,** the COG Board supports the leadership of 9-1-1 Directors plan to initiate a multi-year 9-1-1 recommendation to include the development and implementation of Next Generation 9-1-1; and

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

The Board endorses planning to include development and implementation of Next Generation 9-1-1 and directs its Executive Director, or his designee, to notify the Emergency Preparedness Council and the 9-1-1 Directors Committee of the Board's endorsement.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on September 10, 2014.

Monica Beyrouti Clerk to the Board of Directors