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

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO DRAFT AN AGREEMENT TO WORK WITH THE CONSORTIUM OF UNIVERSITIES OF THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA

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, COG and the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area share common goals of fostering greater collaboration between the region's academic community and the public sector; and

WHEREAS, this effort is part of COG's initiative to diversify the economic base of the National Capital Region; and

**WHEREAS**, the metropolitan Washington area has a large concentration of higher education institutions and is a leading region throughout the country.

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

The board directs the Executive Director, or his designee to establish a task force to draft an agreement between COG and the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area to expand cooperative work between the region's academic community and the public sector by better connecting the work of the Consortium to the region's local governments, universities and businesses.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on February 10, 2016.

Laura Ambrosio Clerk to the Board of Directors