

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD**  
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**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT HIGHWAY SAFETY TARGETS FOR THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), which is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, 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**, the provisions of the FAST Act continued the implementation of performance based planning and programming to achieve desired performance outcomes for the multimodal transportation system, including the setting of targets for future performance by States and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs); and

**WHEREAS**, safety of all modes of travel is an important element of TPB's Vision, and a regional priority, with many of its member jurisdictions having adopted aspirational safety goals associated with Vision Zero and Towards Zero Deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB encourages every member jurisdiction in the region to adopt similar aspirational goals and calls on the transportation agencies of the region to redouble their efforts to develop projects, programs and policies to achieve dramatic reductions in fatalities and serious injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a final rule to establish performance measures for State departments of transportation (State DOT) and MPOs to establish and report evidence based highway safety targets for the following performance measures: number of fatalities, rate of fatalities per hundred million vehicle miles traveled (VMT), number of serious injuries, rate of serious injuries per VMT, and number of combined non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries by August 31, 2017 for State DOTs and by February 27, 2018 for MPOs; and

**WHEREAS**, TPB staff have coordinated with officials at the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to develop regional highway safety targets that are evidence based, consistent with the targets submitted by each member state DOT, and reflective of the outcomes expected through the implementation of funded safety projects and policies; and

**WHEREAS**, these highway safety targets have been reviewed and recommended for TPB approval by the Transportation Safety Subcommittee and the TPB Technical Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB acknowledges that among the recommended set of evidence-based targets the target for serious injuries is higher than the most recent data, which does not match regional aspirations; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB remains focused on achieving its aspirational goals and will use the annual regional highway safety targets and the target setting process to evaluate the region’s progress toward achieving its aspirational goals; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board adopts the following set of highway safety targets for the National Capital Region for the 2014-2018 period and further described in the attached materials.

**Table 1: Regional Highway Safety Targets – 2014-2018 Average**

<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>2014-2018 Target</b>
Number of fatalities	<u><b>253.0</b></u>
Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles of travel	<u><b>0.588</b></u>
Number of serious injuries	<u><b>3,007.3</b></u>
Rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles of travel	<u><b>6.768</b></u>
Number of nonmotorist fatalities and serious Injuries	<u><b>528.8</b></u>

**Adopted with amendments by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on January 17, 2018.**