

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) will mark its 50th Anniversary in 2007; and

WHEREAS, to commemorate this milestone COG is planning a year-long celebration that focuses on promoting COG and its members and the important work it does for the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, a 50th Anniversary Committee has been formed of current and past members and executive directors to guide staff, help plan events, raise funds for the initiative, and develop a work program and budget; and

WHEREAS, the 50th Anniversary Work Program will acknowledge COG's legacy of service to area local, state and federal elected officials; demonstrate how the region has changed in 50 years; identify COG's top milestones and achievements; engage COG's current and past member and partners through a year-long program of special events, products, activities and media; deepen public awareness and appreciation for COG and the contributions of regionalism; position COG for the next 50 years.

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

1. The Board approves the 50th Anniversary Work Program and Budget as recommended by the Committee and requests that the Board receive periodic updates throughout 2007 and as part of the Board's quarterly financial report.
2. The work program includes three primary tasks or deliverables: 1) a spring 2007 "futures" forum; b) a November 2007 gala in lieu of the December 2007 annual meeting and awards luncheon; and c) a commemorative 50th Anniversary book.
3. The total budget is projected to be \$305,000, with \$212,000 to be supported by sponsorships and event registrations, and \$93,000 to be supported by the approved COG FY 2007 Work Program and Budget and the proposed FY 2008 Work Program and Budget.