METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, DC 20002-4239

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING INCREASING THE EFFECTIVENESS AND INFLUENCE OF ANACOSTIA CITIZEN-BASED GROUP'S PROPOSAL SUBMISSION TO THE SUMMIT FUND OF WASHINGTON

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is a nationally recognized watershed restoration leader and has provided coordination, management, technical and administrative support for the Anacostia restoration effort since 1987; and

WHEREAS, COG has a continuing interest in the restoration, management and protection of the Anacostia River and its tributaries; and

WHEREAS, COG is a recognized leader in working in partnership with various government organizations and environmental groups to further expand citizen participation in the Anacostia restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, "Friends of" subwatershed groups play a critical role in both supporting and accelerating the Anacostia restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, COG has worked cooperatively with both the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Committee (AWRC) and its citizen arm the Anacostia Watershed Citizens Advisory Committee (AWCAC), and the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin (ICPRB) to successfully form new subwatershed groups in the watershed.

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

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized:

- 1. To submit a grant proposal to The Summit Fund of Washington for helping to strengthen and expand the number of "Friends of" groups in the Anacostia watershed. The amount will not exceed \$38,000, and no COG matching funds are required. The project duration will be one year.
- 2. To enter a contract with the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to provide support for the Anacostia subwatershed group expansion. No COG matching funds are required.
