

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

**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE INITIATIVE TO BRING THE 2024 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES TO
THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments and its 22 member local governments have adopted *Region Forward*, a regional vision that promotes prosperity, accessibility, livability, and sustainability for the Nation's Capital and entire National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, *Washington 2024* has created a public-private partnership to creatively advance the National Capital Region as the best location in the United States and the world for hosting the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games, based on the visionary theme of promoting national unity and showcasing all the capacity and assets of our nation's capital and the region;

WHEREAS, in 1999, the Board of Directors strongly supported the region's 2012 Olympic bid in Resolution R8-99, and the recent briefing to the Board of Directors from *Washington 2024* leadership demonstrated that the region is far better positioned as a world class capital and region to host the 2024 Olympics; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board believes the 2024 games will highlight the National Capital Region's extraordinary attributes and support COG's ongoing efforts to enhance the quality of life for the region's jurisdictions and residents; and

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

The Board **unanimously**¹ endorses the initiative to bring the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic games to the National Capital Region and directs its Executive Director to formally notify *Washington 2024* of the Board's endorsement and widely disseminate this endorsement to members and stakeholders across the National Capital Region.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on November 12, 2014.

***Monica Beyrouti
Clerk to the Board of Directors***

¹ Mayor Bridget Newton and Councilwoman Cathy Dryzgala abstained.