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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE BANK OF AMERICA FOUNDATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE NEIGHBORHOOD BUILDERS AWARD

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is the association of local governments in the Washington metropolitan region and is comprised of federal, state and local elected officials representing 19 local governments in the region; and

WHEREAS, among its diverse responsibilities, COG is responsible for assisting local governments in the Washington metropolitan region with the identification, analysis and resolution of problems and issues related to metropolitan growth and development; and

WHEREAS, COG has long supported an active and diverse housing work program to address the problems and issues related to metropolitan growth and development, including the support of local housing agencies, the publication and studies on homeownership and rental housing trends, and the administration of regional programs and policies; and

WHEREAS, the COG's existing housing programs respond to current challenges and often seeks to expand capacity to respond to growing issues within the region; and

WHEREAS, Bank of America Foundation, through its Neighborhood Builders Award, seeks grant applications from nonprofit organizations to build their capacity to serve local communities; and

WHEREAS, COG has identified several activities that would build upon the capacity of its housing work program, serve local communities and address problems and issues related to metropolitan growth and development.

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 to submit an application for the Bank of America Foundation's Neighborhood Builders Award. Funding in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 is requested for a period covering two-years. No COG matching funds are requested.
