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

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COG TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR POTENTIAL COLLABORATION WITH THE FEDERAL LABORATORY CONSORTIUM FOR TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is comprised of the 22 jurisdictions of the National Capital Region's local governments and their governing officials, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures and the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and COG provides a focus for action on issues of regional concern; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board has received a briefing from the Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer (FLC) and believes further collaboration between the Council of Governments and the FLC will be mutually beneficial; and

WHEREAS, the FLC is the nationwide network of federal laboratories that provides the forum to develop strategies and opportunities for linking laboratory mission technologies and expertise with the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, the metropolitan Washington area has a large concentration of federal labs and is a leading region throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board believes further collaboration will contribute to strengthening the regional economic competitiveness of the region.

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

The Board directs the Executive Director, or his designee to explore opportunities for potential collaboration between COG and the Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer, and to provide an update to the Board by September 2015 in an effort to strengthen the regional economic competitiveness of the metropolitan Washington region.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on April 8, 2015.

Monica Beyrouti Clerk to the Board of Directors