

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

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR PARTNERSHIP TO RETURN METRO TO A
STATE OF GOOD REPAIR**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is comprised of 24 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 Metrorail system is the most significant regional transportation system and plays a critical role in meeting the National Capital Region's socio-economic and mobility needs and has served this need for the past 40 years; and

WHEREAS, the region's leaders in both the public and private sectors are unified in their desire to help the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) address the safety and service reliability issues faced by its Metrorail system that are partly due to funding constraints; and

WHEREAS, the success of Metro is essential to the continued economic success and growth of our businesses and our region; and

WHEREAS, the support of the business community as a leader in the effort to return Metro to a world class system and a state of good repair is imperative to success;

WHEREAS, the COG Board of Directors values the business community and looks forward to partnering with the private sector to work together to return Metro to a safe and reliable system.

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

The board thanks the Greater Washington Board of Trade, the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and the Prince George's Chamber of Commerce for sharing the perspectives of the business community and looks forward to continuing the partnership between the public and private sectors to work together to return Metro to a safe and reliable system.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of
Directors on May 10, 2017.**

**Laura Ambrosio
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