

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO AN  
AGREEMENT WITH REEDSMITH, LLP, FOR SERVICES ASSISTING COG TO ACHIEVE  
FUNDING SUPPORT FOR HOMELAND SECURITY AND OTHER PROGRAM PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is currently seeking funding from the Congress for purposes of COG's efforts in planning and coordinating regional homeland security and emergency preparedness efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the firm of ReedSmith, LLP, has performed and is currently performing as a consultant to COG and the COG staff in identifying and advocating opportunities with the appropriate committees of Congress and with the appropriate Members and staff of the Senate and House of Representatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fiscal Year 04 appropriations cycle is currently underway and is expected to extend into the late Fall of 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, the continued assistance of ReedSmith, LLP, is desirable during and through the end of the Fiscal Year 04 appropriations cycle and for a reasonable period thereafter;

**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 prepare and execute an agreement with ReedSmith, LLP, in the amount of \$8,000 per month, for a period from July 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003, for the purposes of assisting COG in the identification and advocacy of possible funding sources for homeland security and other purposes.

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