

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002-4290**

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING "DAY TO SERVE"

WHEREAS, the governors of Virginia, Maryland, and West Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia have come together to support "Day to Serve" and are encouraging all citizens to participate in "Day to Serve" the week of September 15, 2013; and

WHEREAS, "Day to Serve" is a unique event that has inspired a diverse group of people in our region to set aside their political, religious and cultural differences to "feed the hungry, protect and enhance the environment, and strengthening our communities"; and

WHEREAS, since the inaugural "Day to Serve" in 2012, this remarkable and unprecedented event swept from the state capitals to local churches, schools, neighborhoods and families and resulted in hundreds of community events, tens of thousands of volunteers, and extraordinary donations of food to local food banks; and

WHEREAS, these events also helped to improve the environment through planting trees, cleaning up parks and streams, and "adopt a road" campaigns; and

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

1. The Council of Governments supports the governors and Mayor on this observance to call upon all faith based organizations, community organizations and residents of the National Capital Region to participate in a Day to Serve in their communities;
2. The Council of Governments encourages each of our 22 local governments to adopt similar resolutions in their communities.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was approved and adopted by the COG Board of Directors at its regular meeting held on July 10, 2013.

***Nicole Hange
Acting Executive Board Secretary***