

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER PROFESSIONALS APPRECIATION DAY
AND CHESAPEAKE BAY AWARENESS WEEK**

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 recognizes that water is fundamental to our region's quality of life, environment, and economic competitiveness, per the January 2015 COG Board report entitled the *State of the Region: Infrastructure Report*; and

WHEREAS, COG recognizes the drinking water and wastewater professionals whose work and dedication supports the region's economy; and

WHEREAS, COG members have many noteworthy accomplishments in water quality, and are leaders in the Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is designating June 30 as Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals Appreciation Day, and

WHEREAS, Maryland and Virginia are designating the second week of June as Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week.

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

The board supports the designation of Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals Appreciation Day, and Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week, and encourages COG members and staff to organize events and conduct activities in observation. The board directs its Executive Director, or his designee, to notify the following of the board's action:

- Congressional members representing the metropolitan Washington region
- Chesapeake Bay Commission
- Chesapeake Bay Program's Executive Council
- American Water Works Association, and local chapters
- Water Environment Federation, and local chapters
- Northern Virginia Regional Commission

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on April 13, 2016.

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