

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002-4239**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FREDDIE MAC FOUNDATION  
TO SUPPORT THE WEDNESDAY'S CHILD ADOPTION PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) established its foster care program in 1987, following the receipt of a demonstration grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and later in 1992 its adoption program in partnership with NBC4 and the Freddie Mac Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, area state and local social services agencies concluded that the COG's regional foster care and adoption programs are beneficial in aiding social service agencies in responding to the growing need for foster and adoptive services and agreed to partner with the Council, area foundations and other organizations to expand this program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Freddie Mac Foundation has targeted child and family welfare issues as a high priority for its philanthropic efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Freddie Mac Foundation has invited the COG to apply for funding to continue and expand these programs;

**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 execute a grant agreement with the Freddie Mac Foundation to support the Wednesday's Child special needs adoption program, administered by COG in partnership with the Foundation and NBC4. Grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$101,019 (2-year budget) will be requested. No COG matching funds are required.