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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXPEND URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT FUNDS FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE WATER SECURITY MONITORING NETWORK IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) understands that reliable and safe drinking water supplies are essential for the health, safety, and welfare of the region; and

WHEREAS, COG has a significant interest in regional water supplies and as such plays a key coordination role in enhancing the reliability, security and protection of the National Capital Region's water supplies; and

WHEREAS, COG considers Homeland Security and regional water security and reliability as priorities and has resolved to act as a coordinator and key partner along with area water and wastewater utilities to address those priorities; and

WHEREAS, COG established a Water Security Work Group to coordinate regional water security and reliability projects, and in that role has identified as a top priority the need to seek funding and develop regional water security programs and projects such as water system contamination monitoring network; and

WHEREAS, COG has received an Urban Area Security Initiative grant to purchase additional equipment to enhance the water security monitoring network in the National Capital region; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interesting of COG to work cooperatively with the other Water Security Work Group partners to implement projects that address regional drinking water and wastewater security priorities.

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 expend Urban Area Security Initiative grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the purpose of purchasing and operating additional monitors as part of the water security monitoring network for the National Capital Region. No COG matching funds are required.
