

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE GRANT PROPOSAL TO IMPLEMENT A
PUBLIC SCHOOL POLLUTION PREVENTION EDUCATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (hereinafter called the Council) has a continuing interest in the management and protection of its regional environmental resources through pollution prevention; and

WHEREAS, the staff recognizes the importance of pollution prevention education in our public schools and has extensive experience in student environmental education and specifically in the area of pollution prevention; and

WHEREAS, the staff has extensive experience and awareness of the sources and impacts from environmental pollution and the important role that pollution prevention activities and actions can have in pollution minimization and prevention; and

WHEREAS, toxic pollutants play a vital role the ecological health of the Anacostia River and the health of its citizens who fish or desire to fish in the River; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia Department of Health's, Environmental Health Administration, has made grant funding available and is seeking proposals to conduct a public high school-based pollution prevention education project ; and

WHEREAS, the Council's Department of Environmental Programs has prepared and submitted a proposal to conduct a school based pollution prevention program in several DC public high schools.

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 contract to implement a public school pollution prevention project in the District of Columbia. The project will involve student classroom instruction as well as development of pollution prevention strategies at each participating school. The contract will not exceed \$40,000 with funding provided by DC Department of Health, Environmental Health Administration. A COG match of \$10,000 will be provided from already budgeted FY 2003 COG Local Funds. The contract is for a period of twelve months and will be completed by April 2004.