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

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A FEDERAL GRANT TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN FOSTER PARENTS AND TO PROVIDE RESPITE SERVICES TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA'S FOSTER FAMILIES

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) has continuing interest in supporting the region's foster parents; and

WHEREAS, COG has provided recruitment and retention services to the region's public social service agencies; and

WHEREAS, COG has a partnership with the DC Foster and Adoptive Families Advocacy Center (FAPAC); and

WHEREAS, the federal government is providing COG with \$1,100,000 to recruit and retain foster parents and to provide respite services to the District of Columbia's foster families with FAPAC having oversight; and

WHEREAS, COG has a continuing interest in recruiting more foster parents for the District of Columbia and in providing respite services to foster families.

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 accept a grant of federal funds from District of Columbia to support a District focused foster family recruitment and retention program and to provide respite services to District foster families. Grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,100,000 will be accepted. No additional COG matching funds are required.
