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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND EXPEND GRANT FUNDS FROM EPA TO SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF ANACOSTIA WATERSHED EDUCATION AND OUTREACH EFFORTS

WHEREAS, under Resolution R28-06, COG chartered the establishment of the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership; and

WHEREAS, this grant would provide support for the Partnership jurisdictions' required to provide stormwater education and outreach as part of their new more stringent Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) stormwater permits; and

WHEREAS the stormwater permits require education and outreach to address trash in the Anacostia, which further supports the Trash Free Potomac Watershed Treaty, endorsed by the COG Board and signed by the majority of COG Members; and

WHEREAS stormwater education and outreach programs will provide the public with tools and tips to reduce stormwater pollution, thereby contributing to improved stream water quality; and

WHEREAS, improving water quality of the Anacostia River, as a tributary to the Potomac River and the Chesapeake Bay, supports the State Watershed Implementation Plan requirements and Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements for a Chesapeake Bay pollution diet to achieve improved Bay water quality by 2025.

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 apply for and accept grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$60,000, and to enter into subcontracts, to develop and implement a stormwater education program in the Anacostia Watershed. The duration of the grant is twenty-four months from the date of execution, and a match of \$2,500 will be made using already-budgeted COG water resources program funds.