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## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) FOR BROWNFIELD COMMUNITY-WIDE ASSESSMENT GRANT

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provides grant funds for brownfield assessments, remediation planning and clean-ups; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments has received six EPA Brownfield Assessment Grants (total of \$1.6 million) to establish and continue the MetroHartford Brownfield Assessment Program, which has assisted municipalities in conducting environmental assessments and remediation planning on sites that have been contaminated by petroleum products and/or hazardous substances; and

WHEREAS, such environmental assessments have facilitated the remediation, redevelopment, and reuse of brownfield sites in the Capitol Region; and

WHEREAS, the current Petroleum and Hazardous Substance Assessment Grant funds are expected to be fully expended on or about September 2017, the contract's end date, and additional assessment grant funds are in demand by Capitol Region municipalities; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG is eligible to apply for additional monies to maintain continued funding of the MetroHartford Brownfield Assessment Program (maximum grant application of \$300,000,00);

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the CRCOG Policy Board authorizes the submission on or before December 22, 2016 of an application for funding under the EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant Program to provide continued funding for environmental assessments and remediation planning on sites that have been contaminated by petroleum products and/or hazardous substances; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the CRCOG Policy Board authorizes its Executive Director, Lyle D. Wray, to act on behalf of the Capitol Region Council of Governments in entering into and amending contractual instruments related to the award of such grant, in accordance with its planning program and budget.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the CRCOG Policy Board at its meeting on November 16, 2016. I further hereby certify that the above resolution has not been in any way altered, amended, or repealed, and is now in full force and effect.

Lisa Pellegrini, Secretary

Date

Capitol Region Council of Governments