

**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION FOR ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING
CERTIFICATIONS FOR THE REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE
WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT**

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation has announced that \$1.5 billion will be available for transportation projects across the country under the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program (hereinafter referred to as ‘RAISE FY 2022’); and

WHEREAS, securing limited discretionary funding for projects within the Capitol Region is an interest of the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) and we are working to advance multi-use trail projects, particularly those that complete gaps in the East Coast Greenway; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG will be working with the City of New Britain and the Town of Plainville to prepare a RAISE FY 2022 application for a ‘Gap Closure Implementation’ project (herein referred to as “the Project”) to close the final gap in the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail (part of the East Coast Greenway) and build a connection to the CT**fastrak** multi-use trail in New Britain; and

WHEREAS, Federal regulations require that projects submitted for RAISE funding be included in the region’s Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) prior to receipt of the grant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, that the Agency’s Executive Director is authorized to act on behalf of the Capitol Region Council of Governments in negotiating, executing, and amending all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments associated with RAISE 2022; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Capitol Region Council of Governments authorizes staff to prepare the necessary amendments to add submitted RAISE projects to the TIP and MTP and commits that these amendments will be adopted prior to the obligation deadline of September 30, 2026.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on March 23, 2022.

BY: _____

Jason E. Bowsza, Secretary

DATE: _____