

Resolution Endorsing the Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) for the Hartford-East Hartford-Middletown MSA

WHEREAS, the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 appropriated \$5 billion to the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program (CPRGP), to be administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2023, EPA announced availability of \$250 million for the first phase of the program, which will issue non-competitive planning grants, administered as cooperative agreements, to fund development and expansion of climate action plans (Plans) that will include programs, policies, measures, and projects that will achieve or facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) air pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG), in its capacity as the Regional Planning Organization (RPO) for two-thirds of the municipalities within the Hartford MSA, has received \$1 million and entered into a cooperative agreement with EPA; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG in partnership with the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments and Dewberry have completed a Priority Climate Action Plan for the Hartford-East Hartford-Middletown MSA;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, the Capitol Region Council of Governments does hereby endorse the Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP). The plan may be marked Final and dated February 2024, and study recommendations may henceforth be incorporated into CRCOG's planning documents.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the CRCOG Transportation Committee, acting as the Policy Board, at its meeting on November 15, 2023.

BY: _____
Jason Bowsza, Secretary

DATE: _____