

**HONORING RAILS TO TRAILS CONSERVANCY'S
CELEBRATION FOR
TRAILS DAY ON APRIL 27, 2024**

WHEREAS, on the fourth Saturday of April, the Capitol Region Council of Governments in partnership with the Rails to Trails Conservancy invites the Greater Hartford region to join Celebrate Trails Day, an annual springtime celebration of America's trails; and

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) leads as a catalyst to enhance the quality of life, vibrancy, and vitality of the Greater Hartford region; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG provides planning, programs, and services to its member municipalities and is the region's designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, Rails to Trails Conservancy, which is the largest trail, walking and biking advocacy organization in the United States, is the national organizer of Celebrate Trails Day; and

WHEREAS, Celebrate Trails Day is an opportunity to showcase the many ways that trails and connected trail networks bring joy and impact to people's lives; and

WHEREAS, trails, especially when connected, provide ways to access the outdoors and safely get around by foot, bike and mobility device in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Hartford region is host to the Farmington Canal Heritage Trail, the Hop River State Part Trail, and the East Coast Greenway:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in partnership with the Rails to Trails Conservancy, that the Capitol Region Council of Governments does hereby recognize the fourth Saturday of every April (April 27, 2024), as "Celebrate Trails Day" in our capital region.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on April 24, 2024

BY:  DATE: April 27, 2024
Erin Stewart, Chair

HONORING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VICKI SHOTLAND UPON HER RETIREMENT

WHEREAS, Vicki Shotland has dedicated her career to Greater Hartford Transit District (GHTD) with unwavering commitment, integrity, and passion; and

WHEREAS, her significant contributions to ADA accessibility and public transportation, have positively impacted the lives of the community; and

WHEREAS, she has successfully advanced the mission of the GHTD and leaves the organization well-positioned to serve the Greater Hartford community; and

WHEREAS, she has served as a dedicated and active member of our regional Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO); and

WHEREAS, her retirement marks the conclusion of a remarkable chapter in her life and the beginning of a well-deserved period of new adventures, relaxation and happiness;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Capitol Region Council of Governments does hereby issue this proclamation to Vicki Shotland in recognition of her outstanding career and many contributions to our region.

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