

PRESENTED AND ADOPTED:

SUBJECT: Recognition of Service for Richard A. White

**PROPOSED
RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, Richard A. White is WMATA's longest tenured General Manager with approximately nine and one-half years of service; and

WHEREAS, During this tenure ridership has grown 37 percent, one of the highest growth rates in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Richard A. White is credited with saving the WMATA Metrobus system; and

WHEREAS, WMATA has completed its last nine operating budgets at a cumulative under budget level of \$95 million and currently has a cost recovery ratio in excess of 57 percent, one of the highest in the nation; and

WHEREAS, WMATA completed its nine-station "FasTrack" construction program at \$339 million under budget or 15 percent and 10 months ahead of time, and three new stations were opened, which expanded the original 103-mile Adopted Regional System (ARS) to 106.3 miles during Mr. White's tenure; and

WHEREAS, WMATA has been an industry leader in introducing customer-friendly technology such as SmarTrip cards, a web-based trip/itinerary planner, and rail station passenger information signs (PIDS) during Mr. White's tenure; and

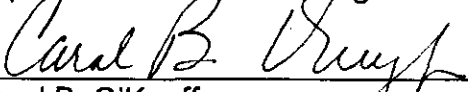
WHEREAS, On September 11, 2001 in the aftermath of terrorist attacks, under Mr. White's leadership, WMATA mustered two back-to-back morning rush hours evacuating the city virtually without incident; and in the months that followed WMATA led the nation with innovative safety and security initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Under Mr. White's leadership WMATA recently executed an historic Metro Matters Funding Agreement with its funding partners that is designed to address a backlog of capital investments to help keep the system in a "state of good repair" and to provide additional rail cars, buses and system facilities to address crowding and to provide for future ridership growth through 2010; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the WMATA Board of Directors thanks Mr. White for exemplary service to WMATA and wishes him much success in the future; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this Resolution is effective immediately.

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency,



Carol B. O'Keeffe
General Counsel