

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION OF SERVICE FOR CHIEF MICHAEL TABORN

2013-06
RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Michael Taborn began his career with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) on July 22, 1974, as a Transit Special Police Officer and rose through the ranks to become Captain before joining the Federal Transit Administration in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Chief Taborn returned to WMATA on March 10, 2008, as Transit Police Chief to lead the 357 sworn officers and 193 civilian personnel; and

WHEREAS, In December 2009, Chief Taborn simultaneously served as Acting Chief Safety Officer, leading the organization through some of its most difficult days; and

WHEREAS, Chief Taborn introduced the model of Metrostat which will remain a hallmark for the Metro Transit Police Department (MTPD); and

WHEREAS, Under Chief Taborn's leadership, Metro's customers have seen a reduction in Part I crimes, including a historic improvement in parking lot safety; and

WHEREAS, Chief Taborn's commitment to the future of WMATA is reflected in his dedication to staff development and succession planning of the MTPD, which is reflected in the highly regarded professionalism of the MTPD; and

WHEREAS, Under Chief Taborn's command, millions of visitors from the United States and abroad have safely traveled around the city for Inaugurations, Cherry Blossom Festivals, Fourth of July celebrations and many other events; and

WHEREAS, Chief Taborn's leadership propelled the MTPD forward receiving high marks from customers and earning the Transportations Security Administrations highest rating of "Gold Standard" for Metro's dedication to building a strong security program, and

WHEREAS, For his commitment to WMATA, for 32 years of service, and his local and national support of transit security, the Board of Directors wishes to recognize Chief Michael Taborn for his contributions to WMATA and the MTPD; now, therefore be it

Motioned by Mr. Downey, seconded by Mr. Dyke

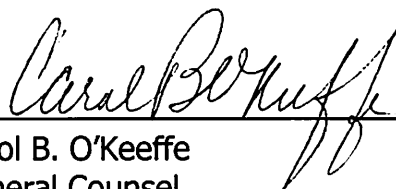
Ayes: 8 - Mr. Downs, Mr. Downey, Mr. Nichols, Mrs. Hynes, Mr. Dyke, Mr. Bulger, Mr. Acosta and Mr. Barnes

RESOLVED, That consistent with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Campaign, *If You See Something, Say Something*, the Board of Directors says thank you for the dedication to service we have seen throughout the years; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors and the citizens of the National Capital region memorialize their appreciation and celebrate the commitment of Chief Taborn for his service to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and wish him much success; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Carol B. O'Keeffe", written over a horizontal line.

Carol B. O'Keeffe
General Counsel