

PRESENTED AND ADOPTED: June 27, 2013

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION OF SERVICE FOR CAROL B. O'KEEFFE

2013-15

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

WHEREAS, Carol B. O'Keeffe began her career with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) on November 1, 1993, as the Principal Deputy General Counsel and began serving as Acting General Counsel in September 2004, until she was appointed the General Counsel on May 19, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Carol B. O'Keeffe was the key negotiator with numerous compact jurisdictions on behalf of WMATA on the Metro Matters Agreement, which stabilized capital funding for the Authority through the first decade of the 21st century and which is the conceptual template for the more recent Capital Funding Agreement; and


WHEREAS, Carol B. O'Keeffe played a pivotal role in creating the underpinning for the Dulles Corridor Extension which, as the first extension not built by WMATA presented numerous legal issues. Carol led negotiations with the various stakeholders to address thorny capital funding issues and ensure that the new extension be built to WMATA's requirements for acceptance into the ARS; and

WHEREAS, Under Carol B. O'Keeffe's leadership, WMATA has seen great success in the courtroom, with numerous appellate decision reaffirming WMATA's immunity from judicial review in a host of circumstances which preserves the integrity of its operations and its ability to make hard choices; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Ms. O'Keeffe has discharged her duties as the Authority's principal legal officer with tremendous professionalism, dedication and skill and 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 Carol B. O'Keeffe for her service to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and wish her much success; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this resolution shall be effective immediately.



Tom Downs, Chair