



RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IMPLEMENTING COMPLETE STREETS IN NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO projects the number of people and jobs in the region will roughly double in the next 20 years;

WHEREAS, the planned highway network will not sufficiently serve projected numbers of trips adequately while still allowing the high quality of life currently enjoyed in the MPO's planning area;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO's vision for the future of the region is *seamless integration of transportation services that offer a range of travel choices to support economic development and are compatible with the character and development of our communities, sensitive to the environment, improve quality of life and are safe and accessible for all*;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO is committed to an integrated, multi-modal network that allows quality access to highways, transit, bicycle and pedestrian facilities for all travelers;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO has a fundamental responsibility to provide infrastructure for all of the traveling public regardless of mode;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO has been planning for a strong multi-modal network for upwards of 30 years;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan adopted in 2003 states that it shall be the MPO's policy "that bicycling and walking facilities will be incorporated into all transportation projects unless exceptional circumstances exist;"

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO has established bicycle and pedestrian access as a fundamental means of travel in regional transportation planning through the adopted MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan and the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO has included bicycle and pedestrian accommodation as a part of all appropriate submittals to the state's strategic prioritization system;

WHEREAS, the NC DOT recognizes the value in providing for bicycle and pedestrian travel accommodation through efforts such as the Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning Grants, Active Routes to Schools Program, and Complete Streets Policy;

WHEREAS, the Capital Area MPO supports the implementation of multi-modal infrastructure to serve work, school, medical and other trips;

WHEREAS, there is a proven economic benefit to the state and region having a sustainable transportation network that includes access to multiple modes of travel; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the NCDOT Complete Streets Policy and Complete Streets Planning and Design Guidelines as de facto elements of the state's highway projects is imperative to providing equitable access for all travelers to all modes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Executive Board supports the comprehensive implementation of the NCDOT Complete Streets Policy into all applicable policies, plans and projects as a matter of common practice across the State of North Carolina.

Harold Weinbrecht, Chair
Capital Area MPO

Chris Lukasina, Executive Director
Capital Area MPO

County of Wake

State of North Carolina

I, Sara L. Akimoto, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that on this, the 19th day of June, 2019, personally appeared before me, Harold Weinbrecht, known to me by his presence and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IMPLEMENTING COMPLETE STREETS IN NORTH CAROLINA**.