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Resolution Expresses Support for Direction and Spirit of General Manager's Recommendations

Arlington, VA -- The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) today adopted a resolution supporting the intent of reform efforts recently proposed by the general manager/CEO of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA). "Paul Wiedefeld's proposal is an important first step in the region's effort to improve Metro and provides an excellent foundation for the continued discussion of solutions to WMATA's challenges," said NVTC Chairman Jeffrey McKay.

The general manager's plan, released April 19, proposes changes in WMATA's business model to address immediate operational and fiscal issues without amending the WMATA Compact, a Congressionally approved agreement between Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia that established Metro's legal and organizational framework. Implementation of these reforms will not affect ongoing discussions between NVTC and the Commonwealth of Virginia relating to compact modifications necessary to ensure WMATA's long-term viability.

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of the Commonwealth during the establishment of WMATA, has an ongoing role in managing Northern Virginia's funding of Metro and appointing Virginia's representatives to the WMATA Board of Directors. The adopted resolution, while articulating the importance of WMATA to Northern Virginia and the Commonwealth, defines NVTC's interest in the fiscal and operational health of WMATA and expresses support for the direction and spirit of the general manager's proposed reforms.

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