

## RESOLUTION

**SUBJECT:** Commending the Honorable John Cook on the Occasion of His Departure from the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission

WHEREAS: The Honorable John Cook was appointed to serve on the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission in 2010, serving as chair of the former Governance and Personnel Committee from 2017 - 2018;

**WHEREAS:** NVTC serves as the voice of public transit in Northern Virginia, promoting the region's transit network through effective and efficient public bus and rail systems and ridesharing programs to foster economic vitality in the region and the Commonwealth;

WHEREAS: Mr. Cook was appointed to the VRE Operations Board from 2010 – 2019, serving as its chair in 2015 and secretary in 2019;

WHEREAS: While serving as chair of the VRE Operations Board, Mr. Cook guided the Board in implementing recommendations of the 2015 VRE Management Audit, which included new governance models for the commuter rail system that have been instrumental in helping VRE achieve remarkable growth and the ability to provide safe, cost effective, and comfortable commuter rail service in Northern Virginia;

WHEREAS: Mr. Cook is adept at synthesizing information and building consensus among his colleagues to reach the best conclusion to solve the most challenging issues facing the Northern Virginia region; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission commends the Honorable John Cook for his service to NVTC, the citizens of Northern Virginia, and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that NVTC prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mr. Cook as an expression of its gratitude and in appreciation of his work on the Commission in promoting and funding public transit and ridesharing in Northern Virginia.

Approved this 5th day of December 2019.

Matthew F. Letourneau

Chairman