



NORTHERN VIRGINIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION

Commending the Honorable Christopher Zimmerman on the occasion of his departure from NVTC and the Arlington County Board

Agreed to by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission January 9, 2014

WHEREAS, the Honorable Christopher Zimmerman was first elected to the Arlington County Board in 1996 and re-elected in 1998, 2002, 2006, and 2010. He served as Vice Chairman in 1997, 2001, 2005, and 2010 and Chairman in 1998, 2002 and 2006 and 2011;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman has been a Commissioner of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission since 1998, serving as Chairman in 2009;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman has been an advocate of smart investments in transportation infrastructure and promoted expanded and improved transit service;

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission promotes the region's transit network through effective and efficient public transit and ridesharing programs in order to promote economic vitality in the region and the Commonwealth;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman served on many regional transportation bodies including the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority from its inception in 2002, Chairman in 2008 and Chairman of the Project Implementation Working Group from to present. In 2004, he was Chairman of the Transportation Planning Board for the National Capital Region, which he has served on since 1999. In 2009 he served as Chairman of the Virginia Railway Express Operations Board, where he has been a member since 2000. From 2004 to 2006, Mr. Zimmerman served as President of the Virginia Transit Association. Mr. Zimmerman served as a member on the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority from 1998 – 2010, serving as Chairman in 2002 and 2008;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman has brought tremendous technical expertise to bear on the region's transportation programs, policies, and funding strategies leading to the development of an innovative transit network that moves people where they need to go;

WHEREAS, Mr. Zimmerman has led by example in demonstrating the connection between transit and land use practices in his home county as well as throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, NVTC and its Commissioners have always counted on Christopher Zimmerman as a passionate voice for balanced transportation investments in Northern Virginia and the Commonwealth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission commends the Honorable Christopher Zimmerman for his leadership in promoting the regional transit network since 1998 through his service to NVTC, the citizens of Northern Virginia and to the Commonwealth of Virginia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC extends its best wishes for success as Christopher Zimmerman assumes his new role as Vice President for Economic Development at Smart Growth America and looks forward to working with him in his new role.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Christopher Zimmerman, as an expression of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission's gratitude and appreciation for his work on the Commission in promoting and funding public transit and ridesharing in Northern Virginia.

Paul C. Smedberg, Chairman

****Chairman signed original presented to Mr. Zimmerman**