## A RESOLUTION REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD (BRTB) BYLAWS BY THE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) OF THE BRTB

**WHEREAS,** the BRTB, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region responsible for transportation planning and policy making for the Baltimore region; and

WHEREAS, the PAC serves as an advisory body to the BRTB, charged with providing independent, region oriented citizen advice to the BRTB on issues related to the development of the Baltimore Regional Transportation Plan (BRTP), Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and amendments that affect the region's conformity with federal air quality requirements, the public involvement process, regionally significant land use issues, and other regional transportation-related issues, as appropriate, promotes public awareness and participation in the regional transportation planning process and promotes equity in the regional transportation planning process; and

**WHEREAS,** the PAC has reviewed and discussed the following amendments to the BRTB Bylaws to add Queen Anne's County as a Voting Member

**THEREFORE, be it resolved,** the PAC supports the amendment to the BRTB Bylaws that adds Queen Anne's County as a full member of the BRTB; and

**THEREFORE, also be it resolved,** the PAC has a number of concerns about voting representation as it pertains to demographics of the various jurisdictions and recommends the BRTB conduct a review to consider a more equitable weighted voting structure.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the PAC thanks the BRTB for this opportunity to participate by sharing comments on this amendment to the BRTB Bylaws. The PAC thanks the BRTB staff for facilitating its participation.

Submitted by:

Eric Norton Chair, BRTB Public Advisory Committee