SUBJECT: Adoption of the VRE System Plan.

WHEREAS: Population within VRE member jurisdictions is projected to grow by an average of nearly 40 percent by 2040 and employment is projected to grow by 50 percent;

WHEREAS: The Commonwealth of Virginia, the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) and other regional bodies have identified congestion relief as a pressing concern affecting long-term regional economic growth, competitiveness and quality of life;

WHEREAS: VRE is an essential regional asset that provides a safe, reliable, high-quality mobility option for commuter travel;

WHEREAS: In April 2013 the VRE Operations Board authorized the development of the VRE System Plan to identify critical VRE system needs in a comprehensive manner and prioritize the initiatives to advance VRE’s long-term strategic vision over the next 20+ years of VRE service; and

WHEREAS: The VRE System Plan provides a framework for future decision making by identifying service initiatives and capital investments which support a ridership goal of 40,000-45,000 daily trips within the 2040 timeframe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission adopts the VRE System Plan as the long-term vision and guide for VRE system growth and expansion.

Approved this 6th day of February, 2014.

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