



**HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
RESOLUTION 2010-03**

A RESOLUTION OF THE HAMPTON ROADS TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING A STATEWIDE COMMISSION DEDICATED TO STUDYING THE EXPANSION OF HIGH-SPEED AND INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL AND A SUSTAINABLE FUNDING MECHANISM.

WHEREAS, the United States has moved forward to meet the transportation challenges by investing in an efficient, high-speed passenger rail network that connects communities across America;

WHEREAS, significant new Federal funding has been made available in support of implementing the proposed national high-speed rail vision;

WHEREAS, the Federal Railroad Administration has initiated a national High-Speed Rail program and a vision for developing a cohesive national high-speed and intercity passenger rail network;

WHEREAS, the Hampton Roads region is currently included on the U.S. Intercity Passenger Rail Network;

WHEREAS, the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) passed a resolution on October 30, 2009 supporting high-speed rail service along the US Route 460/Norfolk Southern corridor and intercity passenger rail service along the I-64/CSX corridor;

WHEREAS, funding for the proposed US Route 460/Norfolk Southern high-speed rail corridor and I-64/CSX intercity passenger rail corridor need to be identified; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia does not have a sustainable dedicated funding source of revenue to match Federal funding for neither high-speed rail nor intercity passenger rail service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization supports a statewide commission dedicated to studying the expansion of high-speed and intercity passenger rail service and a sustainable funding mechanism.

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization Board at its meeting on the 20th day of January, 2010.

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