

## RESOLUTION

### REGIONAL COMPETITIVENESS PROGRAM

#### FUND DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY

#### HAMPTON ROADS PARTNERSHIP

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AUTHORIZING THE HAMPTON ROADS PARTNERSHIP TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE REGIONAL COMPETITIVENESS PROGRAM (RCP) AND APPROVING THE FUND DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY PROPOSED BY THE HAMPTON ROADS PARTNERSHIP.

WHEREAS, in 1996, the Virginia General Assembly adopted the Regional Competitiveness Act (the Act), Chapter 26.3 of Title 15.1 (§ 15.1-1227.1 through § 15.1-1227.5) of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, to encourage counties, cities, and towns to work together for their mutual benefit and that of the Commonwealth of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, to encourage regional strategic planning and cooperation, the Act established an Incentive fund administered by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (VDHCD) to be used to encourage and reward regional strategic economic development planning and joint activities; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides a monetary Incentive, totaling Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) in 1997, for distribution among the State's regions for communities to undertake new levels of regional activity to address obstacles to economic competitiveness, by granting funds for five (5) years in accord with VDHCD standards adopted pursuant to the RCP, with applications for the first round incentive funds being due on July 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Incentive funds will be disbursed to eligible regions in an amount equal to the percentage of the funds appropriated in incentive payments for a fiscal year that represents the region's percentage of the total population of all eligible regions; and

WHEREAS, the Hampton Roads Partnership (the Partnership) is a Virginia nonprofit, non-stock corporation comprised of leading representatives from the public, business, education, civic, and military communities and whose mission is to enhance regional cooperation and improve economic competitiveness in the Hampton Roads Region which is defined as the Cities of Norfolk, Virginia Beach, Portsmouth, Chesapeake, Suffolk, Newport News, Hampton, Franklin, Poquoson, and Williamsburg and in the Counties of Gloucester, Isle of Wight, James City, Southampton, and York; and

WHEREAS, the Partnership has formally adopted the Hampton Roads Region's Plan 2007 (the Plan) as its strategic plan and as such has a clear strategic road map for improving the economic competitiveness of the Hampton Roads Region. A copy of the Plan 2007 Vision and Goal Statement is attached hereto to be read as a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the Partnership in close cooperation with the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission will take responsibility for submitting the Hampton Roads Region's application for incentive funding under the RCP and for seeing that the Plan's joint activities are enacted; and

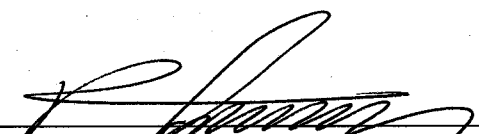
WHEREAS, in recognition of the Partnership's role in Implementing the Plan's joint activities, the Partnership's executive committee formally requested that the Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs caucus support distributing all 1997 RCP funds received by the region directly to the Partnership (distribution methodology); and

WHEREAS, prior to completing the application process the RCP guidelines require that each municipality designate by resolution approval of the region's RCP incentive funds distribution methodology; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, has reviewed the RCP and supports the Partnership's efforts to carry out the provisions of the RCP and apply for monetary incentives on its behalf.

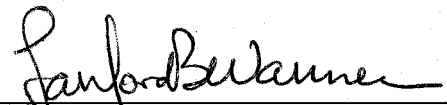
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, that on behalf of the County of James City, Virginia:

1. It recognizes the Hampton Roads Region as a region contemplated by the Act and hereby declares itself to be a member of and a participant in the Hampton Roads Region.
2. It supports the Partnership's efforts to carry out the provisions of the RCP and apply for monetary incentives on its behalf.
3. It approves the RCP fund distribution methodology and authorizes the Partnership to receive on its behalf all 1997 Incentive funding.



Robert A. Magoon, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Sanford B. Wanner  
Clerk to the Board

SUPERVISOR	VOTE
EDWARDS	AYE
TAYLOR	AYE
SISK	AYE
DEPUE	AYE
MAGOON	AYE

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 13th day of May, 1997.

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