



## Northern Virginia Regional Commission

# RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 13-12

PATRON: G. Mark Gibb  
Executive Director

DATE: January 31, 2013

### **AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR FUNDING TO FORM AND PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT FOR A NORTHERN VIRGINIA REGIONAL MILITARY AND DEFENSE CONTRACTORS ALLIANCE**

WHEREAS, the economic vitality of the Northern Virginia region – and the Commonwealth – is highly dependent on the military and defense activities centers located in the region, along with thousands of associated contractors and defense-related businesses; and

WHEREAS, it is a near certainty that defense and defense-related spending affecting Northern Virginia will be reduced in pending federal budget actions; and

WHEREAS, the next round of Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) actions also may target assets located in Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, other geographic subareas of the Commonwealth have initiated regional strategic planning efforts to minimize the effects of such actions; and

WHEREAS, for the past eight years, NVRC has hosted a regional BRAC Committee, composed of local and state elected officials, military personnel, chambers of commerce and private stakeholders, to deal with the impacts of the BRAC 2005 decisions; and

WHEREAS, a regional alliance with dedicated professional staffing would establish a focal point and for unified strategic planning and action; and

WHEREAS, this concept has the support from representatives of the defense contractor community, U.S. Congressional and Senate offices, several military base commanders and chambers of commerce; and

WHEREAS, it is in the Commonwealth's interest to participate in strengthening Northern Virginia's position; and

WHEREAS, state funding could provide a critical resource base, and could be used to leverage contributions from other public and private sources;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission authorizes the Executive Director to apply for a grant from the Commonwealth to form and provide professional support for a Northern Virginia Military and Defense Contractors Alliance, to perform regional economic analyses, and to develop and initiate communications and advocacy activities with the advice of the Alliance;


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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is authorized to execute all necessary documents for a grant agreement, if funds are awarded.



CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission on January 13, 2013.

  
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G. Mark Gibb, Certifying Officer