



Northern Virginia Regional Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 18-06

PATRON: Robert W. Lazaro, Jr.
Executive Director
DATE: September 28, 2017

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT LETTER IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRANT TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A CYBER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

WHEREAS, according to CyberSeek, currently there is an estimated 299,000 job openings in cybersecurity, with 36,000 of those openings in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, to fill this gap George Washington University and a number of public and private partners are seeking the opportunity to place qualified high school teachers into a one-year graduate certificate program; and

WHEREAS, this graduate program in a technical field will provide current high school teachers in both urban and rural areas the ability to teach dual-enrolled courses to high school students in the areas of cybersecurity and information technology, preparing students to enter the workforce while completing their high school and associate's degrees; and

WHEREAS, the private sector will benefit from the growing pipeline of talent to fill the over 36,000 cyber job openings that exist today; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) has long recognized the issue of workforce as critical to the economic success of the region; and

WHEREAS, NVRC's Military and Community Partnership Committee has created a cyber/cybersecurity work group with such partners as the Northern Virginia Community College, Booz Allen Hamilton, George Washington University and other partners to address this issue

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of NVRC be authorized to submit a letter on behalf of the Commission in support of the grant application being submitted by George Washington University to the National Science Foundation.



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 September 28, 2017.


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