



Northern Virginia Regional Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 08-22

PATRON: Martin Nohe, Chairman
Operations Committee

DATE: April 24, 2008

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT UASI FUNDING FOR CONTINUED SUSTAINMENT OF MMRS IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, MMRS (Metropolitan Medical Response System) is a planned system for responding locally to a chemical, radiological, nuclear or explosive event involving 1,000 victims and/or a biological event involving 10,000 victims, for a sustained period of up to several days before outside help arrives; and

WHEREAS, from 2005 – 2008, \$2.9 million from Virginia's "set aside" within the National Capital Region's allocation of 2005 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant year funding was used to expand MMRS capabilities – already under development in Arlington County – to Alexandria, Fairfax County, Loudoun County and Prince William County, and to provide for development of an integrated regional MMRS plan for Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of participating localities, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) received and managed these funds; and

WHEREAS, a subsequent allocation of \$930,000 has been made from 2007 UASI grant year funding set aside for Virginia projects within the National Capital Area, for the purpose of continuing the sustainment of MMRS throughout Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the work completed so far has included an unprecedented collaboration among public safety, public health, public information and the region's private-sector hospitals, among others; and

WHEREAS, from the original effort it became apparent that the regional response system, the "Northern Virginia Emergency Response System," provides a blueprint for action applicable to other disastrous events, such as pandemic flu and natural disasters;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern Virginia Regional Commission authorizes the Executive Director to accept the \$930,000 allocation from the District of Columbia and to enter into such agreements with the District government, NVRC member governments and others as necessary to fulfill the requirements of the project.

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 April 24, 2008.

