



Northern Virginia Regional Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 09-07

PATRON: G. Mark Gibb
Executive Director
DATE: October 23, 2008

TRIBUTE TO NVRC'S COLLEAGUE AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNER DR. BERND STEINACHER

WHEREAS, since 1999, the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) has supported an international partnership with the Verband Region Stuttgart — a partnership that has advanced regional planning in the Northern Virginia region; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bernd Steinacher, regional director of the Verband Region Stuttgart, was instrumental in the development, implementation and expansion of this partnership; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia region has benefited from the lessons and experiences of the Stuttgart region that Dr. Steinacher and his team helped transfer; and

WHEREAS, Northern Virginia's climate and energy programs — including its "green" buildings, green roofs, water planning, land use and open space planning, transportation planning, renewable energy and energy efficiency policies, and economic development — have been positively shaped by the lessons of the Stuttgart region; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steinacher's personal care, attention, wit, creativity, vision, energy and friendship were indispensable for the success of this partnership and its accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steinacher's leadership and guidance were critical to the success of the first U.S.-European Conference of Metropolitan Regional Councils hosted by NVRC in April 2008; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Steinacher was a close friend, colleague and partner of the NVRC staff and the Commission;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Northern Virginia Regional Commission expresses its deepest regrets over the death of Dr. Bernd Steinacher and communicates its sincerest condolences to Dr. Steinacher's family and to the board and staff of the Verband Region Stuttgart.

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 October 23, 2008.

G. Mark Gibb, Certifying Officer