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RESOLUTION

BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO) TO ENDORSE THE NEWPORT TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the WILMAPCO Council recognizes that comprehensive planning for future land use, transportation, sustainable economic development, environmental protection and enhancement, and community health and livability are necessary actions to implement the goals and objectives in the 2050 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Newport and DelDOT/DTC requested that WILMAPCO coordinate with them to develop a transportation plan for Newport and the surrounding area that would emphasize an improved multimodal environment to support a future train station; and

WHEREAS, the Newport Transportation Plan assessed existing pedestrian, bicycling, transit, land use, environmental, and traffic conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Newport Transportation Plan employed continuous and rigorous public engagement throughout the planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Newport Transportation Plan puts forth recommendations which will support economic development, mitigate community health concerns, improve the multimodal transportation network, preserve community character, and, generally, improve the multimodal network for current transit services and future train service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby endorse the final report and recommendations of the Newport Transportation Plan.

Date:

John Sisson, Chairperson
Wilmington Area Planning Council

