ITEM 3-B February 1, 2018 Regular Meeting Res. No. 18-02-\_\_

MOTION:
SECOND:
RE: EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY PAUL MILDE
ACTION:
WHEREAS, PRTC Commissioner Paul Milde ceased his service as a PRTC Commissioner following the Commission's December 7, 2017 meeting; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Milde has served as a PRTC Commissioner since 2006; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Milde has been a true champion of regional cooperation in his capacity as a PRT Commissioner; and
WHEREAS, regional cooperation is a core part of PRTC's Founding Ordinance; and
WHEREAS, it is PRTC's long-standing practice of lauding the work of those who serve a Commissioners, throughout their time as Commissioners and more particularly upon learning of their pending departure.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission does hereby express its sincere gratitude to Paul Milde for his distinguished service as a PRTC Commissioner and continued success in all of his future endeavors.
Votes: Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent from Vote: Alternate Present Not Voting: Absent from Meeting:

## PROCLAMATION (C)

WHEREAS, Paul Milde began his service with the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission (PRTC) and Virginia Railway Express (VRE) as a Commissioner and Operations Board Member in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Paul served on these bodies though 2017, and oversaw many milestones; and

WHEREAS, the milestones with PRTC include: the celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the agency, the introduction of electronic fareboxes and the use of the SmarTrip card on buses, the opening of a new 128-space commuter parking lot at the Transit Center, the introduction of new services to include Rosslyn/Ballston, Tysons Corner, Gainesville, Mark Center and the launch of Wheels to Wellness, in addition there was also the introduction of electronic weekly and day passes on the local services; and

WHEREAS, the milestones with VRE include: the transition of the Operation and Maintenance contract from Amtrak to Keolis, the addition of locomotives, the approval of the VRE System Plan 2040, the amendment of the Corridor Improvement Project MOU between VRE, DRPT and CSX for the addition of Potomac Shores Station, the amendment of the Master Agreement to comply with VA GA legislation giving DRPT a weighted vote, and initiated the VRE Operations Board Member Recognition Program; and

WHEREAS, Paul Milde leaves the Commission after eleven years of commendable dedication to PRTC and VRE.

NOW THEREFORE, this Commission does hereby confer upon

## **PAUL MILDE**

its highest commendation for the manner in which he has performed his duties with the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission and the Virginia Railway Express with special thanks for his professionalism and dedication to service.

Adopted this first day of February, 2018

Ruth Anderson, Chair