A Policy Resolution of the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization (CATSO) Adopting a Complete Streets Policy

WHEREAS, the term "Complete Streets" describes a comprehensive, integrated transportation network with infrastructure and design that allows safe and convenient travel along and across streets for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, persons with disabilities, motorists, movers of commercial goods, users and operators of public transportation and emergency service providers;

WHEREAS, the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization acknowledges the benefits and value for the public health and welfare of reducing vehicle miles traveled and increasing transportation by walking, bicycling, and public transportation;

WHEREAS, the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization recognizes that the planning and coordinated development of Complete Streets infrastructure provides benefits for local governments in the areas of infrastructure cost savings; public health; and environmental sustainability;

WHEREAS, the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan adopted by the Coordinating Committee on February 27, 2014 recommends the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization "Support the adoption of a Complete Streets policy for the Columbia Metro Area to reflect public input and LRTP emphasis on non-motorized transportation modes";

WHEREAS, the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization therefore, in light of the foregoing benefits and considerations, wishes to state its commitment to a comprehensive and integrated transportation network promoting safe, equitable, and convenient travel for all users while preserving flexibility, recognizing community context, and using the latest and best design guidelines and standards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization Coordinating Committee as follows:

1. That the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization adopts a Complete Streets Policy by this policy resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Columbia Area Transportation Study Organization Coordinating Committee on August 28, 2014.

Attest:

Mike Matthes, Chair, CATSO Coordinating Committee

Date: