

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE MASS TRANSIT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE METROPOLITAN AREA; AND

WHEREAS, THE REGULATION OF TRANSIT ON A COORDINATED BASIS THROUGHOUT THE AREA WITHOUT REGARD TO POLITICAL AND LEGAL JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES THROUGH THE COOPERATION OF THE STATES OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BY AND THROUGH A COMMON AGENCY, WITH THE ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE OF ALL AGENCIES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT WHOSE ACTIVITIES AFFECT THE MOVEMENT OF PERSONS AND VEHICLES, IS A PROPER AND NECESSARY STEP LOOKING TOWARDS THE ALLEVIATION OF TRANSIT AND TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN THE METROPOLITAN AREA;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE STATES OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS SIGNATORIES, DO HEREBY COVENANT AND AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

#### TITLE I

#### GENERAL COMPACT PROVISIONS

#### ARTICLE I

#### WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT

THERE IS HEREBY CREATED THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT, HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT, WHICH SHALL EMBRACE THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE CITIES OF ALEXANDRIA AND FALLS CHURCH, THE COUNTIES OF ARLINGTON AND FAIRFAX, AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA LOCATED WITHIN THOSE COUNTIES, AND THAT PORTION OF LOUDOUN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, OCCUPIED BY THE DULLES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AND THE COUNTIES OF MONTGOMERY AND PRINCE GEORGE'S, IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND LOCATED WITHIN SAID COUNTIES, AND ALL OTHER CITIES NOW OR HEREAFTER EXISTING IN MARYLAND OR VIRGINIA WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA BOUNDED BY THE OUTER BOUNDARIES OF THE COMBINED AREA OF SAID COUNTIES, CITIES AND AIRPORTS.

#### ARTICLE II

#### WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION; JURISDICTION

THE SIGNATORIES HEREBY CREATE THE "WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION," HEREINAFTER CALLED THE COMMISSION, WHICH SHALL BE AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA AND THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AND SHALL HAVE THE POWERS AND DUTIES SET FORTH IN THIS COMPACT AND SUCH ADDITIONAL POWERS AND DUTIES AS MAY BE CONFERRED UPON IT BY SUBSEQUENT ACTION OF THE SIGNATORIES. THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION COEXTENSIVE WITH THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT FOR THE REGULATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSIT