A RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE THE METROGIS POLICY BOARD [1ST DRAFT]

WHEREAS, the MetroGIS Coordinating Committee was formed on February 8, 1996, as a voluntary collaborative of managerial and technical staff representing municipal, county, regional and other governments and interests operating in the Minneapolis-Saint Paul metropolitan region to address issues of shared interest and cooperation regarding geospatial data policy, data availability, data development, standardization, and maintenance; and,

WHEREAS, the MetroGIS Coordinating Committee requested the formation of a Policy Board constituted of elected officials and senior leadership to support and advise this intergovernmental collaboration; and,

WHEREAS, formal endorsement and the selection of a Policy Board representative from each of the participating Seven Metropolitan Counties, the Metropolitan Council, metro area municipalities, school districts and watershed districts were sought and secured in the fall of 1996 by the Coordinating Committee membership with the MetroGIS Policy Board convening for the first time on January 15, 1997; and,

WHEREAS, the MetroGIS Policy Board served continuously, faithfully and effectively from its inception in January 15, 1997 to its last meeting of record on April 24, 2019 in providing oversight of funding and development of policies related to inter-governmental data sharing, pooled funding for shared data resources needed by all governments and the advancement of geospatial technology to assist governments at all levels to serve their constituencies; and,

WHEREAS, the originally primary objectives established for MetroGIS in its original intent, founding planning documents, subsequent business plans and work plans have been satisfactorily accomplished, with sound and repeatable methodologies established for performing the work in the future, and the MetroGIS collaborative is now focused on maintenance of systems, incremental improvements to its data and data sharing processes and to the development and refinement of standards; and,

WHEREAS, there is neither substantial budget nor policy discussions taking place vital to the continued operation and maintenance of existing systems and datasets which would require oversight from elected officials or senior leadership as was required at the founding and early operation of MetroGIS; and,

WHEREAS, there is a commitment by the MetroGIS Coordinating Committee to continue to provide periodic updates through other established boards comprised of elected officials and senior leadership as appropriate to requests and project needs;

NOW, HEREBY, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MetroGIS Policy Board is to be formally dissolved as of 12:00 PM on Month, Day 202X

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of MetroGIS Coordinating Committee may request the re-constitution of the MetroGIS Policy Board as circumstances arise or events warrant that necessitate its oversight and actions.