

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 23-20

PATRON: Robert W. Lazaro, Jr
Executive Director

DATE: March 23, 2023

AUTHORIZATION TO ENGAGE GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY ON WORK STUDY STUDENT FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) hosts and staffs the Northern Virginia Waste Management Board;

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Waste Management Board (NVWMB) is composed of solid waste managers and public works directors from each of NVRC's member jurisdictions, created in 1989 to promote regional approaches and solutions to recycling and waste management issues in Northern Virginia;

WHEREAS, NVWMB researches and develops technical recommendations and pilots to solve waste management challenges facing the region, including legislative and regulatory policy review and;

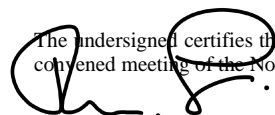
WHEREAS, NVRC has a relationship with George Mason University (GMU) and its Institute for a Sustainable Earth, and Waste Board members have made use of the school's Office of Student Scholarship, Creative Activities, and Research (OSCAR) and sustainability summer graduate fellowship programs, offering professor overseen student researchers to learn about applied research for the community;

WHEREAS, these programs are free of charge to the recipient of student research services, with minimal oversight by NVRC staff, and they produce research products that benefit specific waste management questions;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that NVRC staff, with the support of NVWMB members, pursue a research partnership with GMU making use of the OSCAR and/or summer fellowship program to address key research questions on waste management, recycling, and circular economy applications that could benefit Northern Virginia waste management programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that once a research program is agreed upon, the Commission allows the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with GMU and the student to complete this work, with tangible products agreed to by the NVWMB and GMU.

CERTIFICATION



The undersigned certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission on March 23, 2023.

ROBERT W. LAZARO, JR., CERTIFYING OFFICER