

December 12, 2006

**TOWN OF OCCOQUAN, VIRGINIA
RESOLUTION
ENDORING THE EAST COAST GREENWAY ROUTE
THROUGH THE TOWN OF OCCOQUAN**

WHEREAS, the East Cost Greenway is a proposed 2600-mile, shared-use pathway that will pass through Prince William County to connect cities along the eastern seaboard from Calais, Maine, to Key West, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Virginia is one of 15 states and the District of Columbia through which the Greenway runs; and

WHEREAS, the Greenway, considered the "urban equivalent of the Appalachian Trail," will pass through sites showcasing the nation's industrial, historic, and cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, the Greenway will spur the building of a network of pedestrian and bicycling greenways through Virginia, a goal encouraged by the Virginia Department of Transportation and other agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Greenway will serve bicyclists, walkers, equestrians, the physically challenged and other non-motorized users, both local residents and long-distance travelers; and

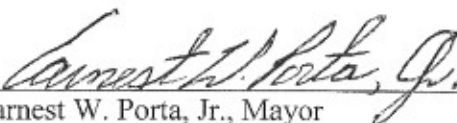
WHEREAS, the Greenway, by providing a largely off-road route separated from vehicular traffic, will encourage people of all ages to be outdoors more, improving their health and physical fitness while enjoying their playing fields, parks and nature preserves; and

WHEREAS, the Greenway, by offering tourists access to cultural and historical sites, will bring economic benefits to towns and businesses along the route;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Occoquan, Virginia does hereby endorse the concept of the East Coast Greenway and its passage through the Town of Occoquan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL



Earnest W. Porta, Jr., Mayor

Attest: Claudia A. Cruise
Claudia A. Cruise, CMC, Clerk