

AGENDA NOTE – HRPDC ANNUAL COMMISSION MEETING

ITEM #6: GO VIRGINIA

SUBJECT:

Virginia Initiative for Growth and Opportunity in Each Region (GO Virginia)

BACKGROUND:

GO Virginia is an effort to restore Virginia’s position of economic leadership by growing and diversifying the state’s economy. This effort was initiated by the Virginia Business Higher Education Council and the Council on Virginia’s Future to foster private-sector growth and job creation through State incentives for regional collaboration by business, education and government. Recognizing the harsh effect of deep federal budget cuts on a Virginia economy that is overly dependent on public-sector jobs, business leaders formed the GO Virginia campaign to work for regional cooperation on private-sector growth, job creation and career readiness. Bipartisan and business-led, the coalition favors State incentives to encourage effective collaboration among business, education and government in each region. The GO Virginia coalition is waging a statewide grassroots campaign to mobilize business and community leaders, partners in education and government and interested citizens to work for state policies that will help secure a future of expanding opportunity for all Virginians.

This agenda item is provided for information purposes, and does not require formal action by the Commission. Staff requests that Commission members receive the presentation, ask questions and discuss the GO Virginia initiative.

Mr. John “Dubby” Wynne will brief the Commission on this item.

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Note: This item is for informational purposes only.