EXPRESSING APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE TO RAPID RECOVERY FOR ITS LEADERSHIP AND EFFORTS IN PROMOTING AESTHETIC AND ARTISTIC IMPROVEMENTS ALONG THE RAPID TRANSIT RIGHT-OF-WAY.

WHEREAS, the right-of-way along which the Rapid Transit of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority travels is contiguous to property owned by many and diverse parties; and

WHEREAS, many of these adjacent properties have been allowed to deteriorate and become unsightly eyesores, creating a poor and negative image for patrons of the Rapid Transit; and

WHEREAS, Rapid Recovery has shown considerable initiative and leadership in determining the exact nature and extent of the unsightly poorly kept areas and in developing workable realistic alternative solutions to change these area; and

WHEREAS, Rapid Recovery by working with property owners, commercial and industrial managements and federal, state and local officials has provided imaginative foresight and leadership which has resulted in a cooperative voluntary effort which has already begun to affect a positive transformation of the properties along the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the general improvements and the artistic designs and graphics will enhance the aesthetic quality of the Rapid ride for the RTA patrons and will enhance the image of Cleveland and the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cuyahoga County, Ohio:

Section 1. That Rapid Recovery and its personnel be and they are hereby commended for their imaginative, energetic efforts in establishing the program by which the many and diverse interests of property owners, governmental agencies and civic-minded groups may voluntarily work together to accomplish a real improvement within the City of Cleveland.

Section 2. That sincere gratitude is extended to Rapid Recovery on behalf of the Authority and its rapid patrons for the artistic and aesthetic improvements already accomplished for those which shall be accomplished in the future.

That this resolution shall take effect Section 4. immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: November 22 ,

Attest: Hellem & Johnson Secretary-Treasurer