RESOLUTION NO. 1979- 258

AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF THE NON-RENEWAL OF THE OPERATING ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND GARFIELD HEIGHTS COACH LINE, INC.

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority and the Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc. entered into an Operating Assistance Agreement on November 14, 1975 and have mutually extended said Agreement so that said Agreement is now scheduled to expire on October 22, 1979; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement provides in Article V, Section 2(b), "The Company (Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc.) shall keep RTA currently advised of the progress of all negotiations with its transit employees concerning wage rates, fringe benefits, pensions, or other retirement benefits. The Company shall not grant to its transit employees any wage rates, fringe benefits, pensions, or other retirement benefits, any of which exceed the benefits then available to RTA's transit employees, except that the Company shall continue in effect such wages or benefits (that) are currently being paid or provided for its transit employees."; and

WHEREAS, Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc. has informed the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority that it has agreed to pay wage rates to its transit employees which exceed the wage rates to be paid by the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority under its proposed collective bargaining agreement with Amalgamated Transit Union Local 268; and

WHEREAS, it is the firm position of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority that the Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc. wage agreement referred to above is a direct violation of Article V, Section 2(b) of the Operating Assistance Agreement between the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority and Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc.

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

Section 1. That the President of the Board of Trustees be and he is hereby directed and authorized to place on notice and to advise Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc. that it has violated Article V, Section 2(b) of the Operating Assistance Agreement and further:

- (a) That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority will continue the current Operating Assistance Agreement through its current expiration date on October 22, 1979 but will limit any and all wage subsidies and/or reimbursements to the wage rates actually paid to comparable employees by the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority from the period of September 1, 1979 thru October 22, 1979; and
- (b) That the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority will allow the Operating Assistance Agreement with Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc. to expire on October 22, 1979 and will not renew said Operating Assistance Agreement unless Garfield Heights Coach Line, Inc. fully and completely complies with the requirements of Article V, Section 2(b) of said Operating Assistance Agreement by specifically limiting wage rates and fringe benefits, separately measured, to those set forth in the collective bargaining agreement between the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 268 which will be in effect as of August 1, 1979.

Section 2. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted:

September 18, 1979

President

Attest: