RESOLUTION NO. 1980-358

AUTHORIZING THE TRANSMITTAL OF REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES ON A PERSONAL SERVICE BASIS AND THE APPLICATION FOR A TECHNICAL STUDY GRANT FROM THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (UMTA)

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is considering purchasing the rail right-of-way from approximately East 40th Street to West 30th Street from its present lessor, the Cleveland Union Terminal Company (CUT) in order to reduce annual operating costs and to improve safety; and

WHEREAS, a major consideration in the purchase of said right-ofway is the maintenance obligation of bridges over and along the right-of-way which would become RTA's total responsibility upon purchase; and

WHEREAS, due to CUT's policy of totally deferring maintenance of the right-of-way bridges, this may now result in substantial expenditures, the extent of which cannot be determined without a detailed engineering study; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. Department of Transportation, Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) has indicated that it would be willing to fund 80% of such a study through a Section 8 Technical Grant.

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

Section 1. That the Director of Procurement be and is hereby authorized and directed to transmit requests for proposals to provide engineering services, on a personal service basis, to ascertain the monetary obligations for bridge maintenance which would result from RTA's purchase of the rail right-of-way from the Cleveland Union Terminal Company.

Section 2. That the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application on behalf of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority with the United States Department of Transportation to aid in the financing of a technical study pursuant to Section 8 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended. Resolution No. 1980-358 -2-

Section 3. That the General Manager is authorized to execute and file with such application an assurance or any other document required by the United States Department of Transportation effectuating the purposes of Title VI of the Civil Rights of 1964.

Section 4. That Leonard Ronis, General Manager of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, is authorized to furnish such additional information as the United States Department of Transportation may require in connection with the application or the project.

Section 5. That the General Manager is authorized to set forth and execute affirmative minority business policies in connection with the project's procurement needs.

Section 6. That the General Manager is hereby authorized to execute grant contract agreements on behalf of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority with the United States Department of Transportation for aid in the financing of the Section 8 Technical Grant.

Section 7. That the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to accept funds from the United States Department of Transportation received through such grant contract, and to expend such funds as authorized by the Board of Trustees.

Section 8. That in the absence of the General Manager the Acting General Manager is hereby authorized to perform any and all of the above functions.

Section 9. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: October 21 , 19 80

President

Attest: -Treasurer