

RESOLUTION NO. 1985 - 90

AUTHORIZING A RAILBUS DEMONSTRATION TO BE CONDUCTED ON RAIL OWNED BY THE GREATER CLEVELAND REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY AND ON RAIL OWNED BY THE NORFOLK & WESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY AND UTILIZING A RAILBUS OWNED AND PROVIDED BY ASSOCIATED RAIL TECHNOLOGIES, INC., AT AN ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00

WHEREAS, Associated Rail Technologies Inc., ("Associated") is willing to lend a BRE-Leyland Railbus to the GCRTA for the purposes of demonstrating the feasibility and capabilities of a diesel powered Railbus in the Greater Cleveland area; and

WHEREAS, the Norfolk and Western Railway Company ("NW") owns rail trackage connecting with GCRTA track at E. 55th Street and running through Euclid, Ohio, to Mentor, Ohio;

WHEREAS, Production Machinery Corporation of Mentor, Ohio, will provide automobile parking spaces for passengers and an area for passenger boarding and alighting for the Railbus at Maple Street, Mentor, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, D. & B. Realty will provide automobile parking spaces for passengers and an area for passenger boarding and alighting for the Railbus at E. 289th Street, Euclid, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the Railbus from Cleveland Union Terminal to these two stops will enable the GCRTA to determine the feasibility of utilizing this type of rail vehicle in future rail service expansions, to observe and measure the capabilities of the BRE-Leyland Railbus and get passenger reaction to such service; and

WHEREAS, the "NW" has submitted an Agreement setting forth the conditions required for using its tracks as well as the obligations it would impose upon the GCRTA and "Associated"; and

WHEREAS, "Associated" has submitted a Letter of Agreement setting forth the terms and conditions upon which it will provide the BRE-Leyland Railbus; and

WHEREAS, the GCRTA will be required to have insurance relating to the specific demonstration project; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation desires that such a Railbus demonstration be conducted and is actively supporting said project; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated costs for trackage rights, rail supervision, rail pilots marketing, and insurance will be approximately \$60,000.00;

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

Section 1. That the Railbus demonstration project to be conducted for approximately a six week period from April 22, 1985, through May 31, 1985, on GCRTA and N&W rail track be and it is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the Acting General Manager be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute such agreements with Norfolk & Western Railway Company, Associated Rail Technologies, Inc., Production Machinery Corporation, D. & B. Realty, and any other such agreements or documents necessary to accomplish the Railbus Demonstration Project.

Section 3. That an expenditure of not to exceed \$60,000.00 be and it is hereby authorized for the Railbus Demonstration Project.

Section 4. That this Resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: April 16, 1985

Harry Alexander
Vice President

Attest:

Robert J. Landgraf
Secretary-Treasurer