RESOLUTION NO. 1989-42

ADOPTING A POLICY TO INCORPORATE WHEELCHAIR LIFTS AND SECUREMENT SYSTEMS ON NEW BUSES

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority authorized the acquisition of wheelchair lifts on a fleet of standard transit buses in Resolution 1985-177; and

WHEREAS, a test of wheelchair lift equipped mainline bus service was initiated in June, 1988; and

WHEREAS, a recent review of the test indicated the wheelchair lift equipped service was meeting all the pre-established criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Coalition for Disabled Riders continues to express an active interest in full accessibility; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority and the Transportation Coalition for Disabled Riders have worked cooperatively to make the test of accessible mainline bus service a success.

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

- 1. That all new buses will be purchased with wheelchair lifts and securement systems, subject to an annual re-examination by the General Manager and the Board of Trustees of the Community Responsive Transit programs and markets, including the Extra-Lift Program, to minimize duplicative services and analyze subsidies for such programs.
- 2. Rider education and training programs being conducted by outside organizations concerned with the accessible bus service and the Community Responsive Transit service be reviewed and evaluated annually by the RTA management for the purpose of reporting their effectiveness to the Board of Trustees.
- 3. That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted: April 18, 1989

President

General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer