## **RESOLUTION NO. 1993** - 189

COMMENDING CUYAHOGA COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS GERALD FUERST AND HIS STAFF FOR THEIR WORK AT RESOLVING A PROBLEM IN COLLECTING AUTOMOTIVE SALES TAXES, AND URGING CONTINUED EFFORTS IN THAT REGARD.

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority depends upon receipt of sales and use taxes to fund a significant portion of its operations; and

WHEREAS, the timely receipt of sales and use tax proceeds by the Authority is critical to the agency's financial stability and hence its capacity to deliver service to the citizens of Cuyahoga County; and

WHEREAS, new systems installed by the State of Ohio to collect and report receipts for automotive sales encountered numerous operating problems which forced delays in processing these taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts and his staff have worked diligently to correct these difficulties.

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

Section 1. That the Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts Gerald E. Fuerst and his staff are to be commended for their efforts at resolving problems with the collection and distribution of automotive sales taxes.

<u>Section 2.</u> That the Clerk of Courts is urged to continue efforts at processing the sales tax receipts so important to the provision of public transit in this community.

Section 3. That if problems with the computerized collection persist, the Clerk of Courts is urged to pursue agreements with the Auditor of State and the State Department of Motor Vehicles to advance at least 80% of sales tax receipts to the State prior to a complete accounting reconciliation.

Section 4. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Trustees.

Adopted: November 16, 1993

President

General Manager/Segretary-Treasurer